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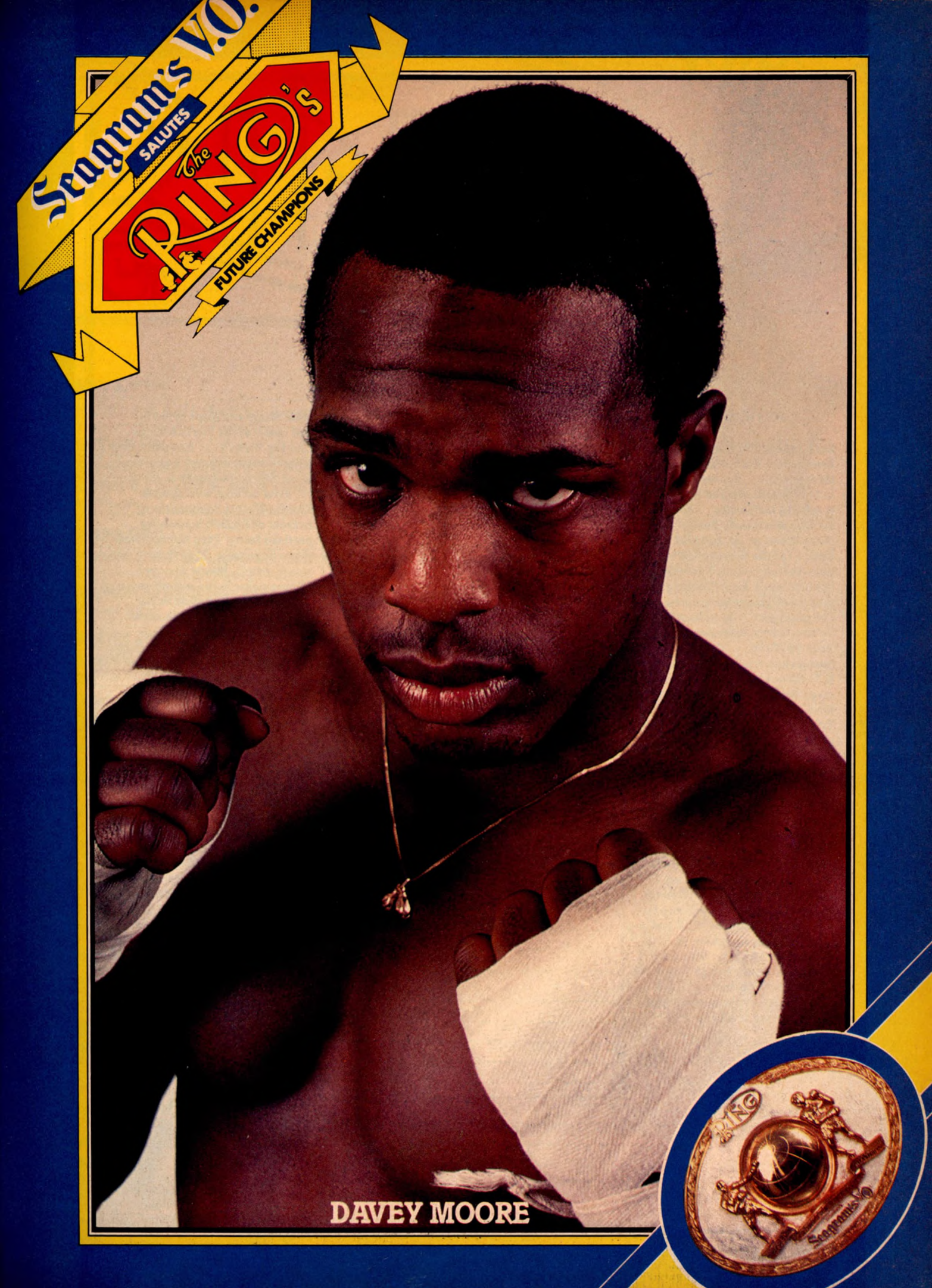

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DAVEY MOORE

Born June 9, 1959 in the South Bronx, New York. Still lives in the borough . . . An honor student in high school, starred in track, wrestling and karate . . . Walked into the Morrisania Youth Center in the Bronx at 15, and took up boxing for the first time. Was there that he met the Center's boxing instructor, Leon Washington, who today acts as Moore's trainer and manager . . . Won New York Golden Gloves titles every year from 1976-79 . . . One of only four men to win four consecutive N.Y. Gloves titles . . . Compiled a magnificent amateur record of 96-6 . . . Beaten in 1980 Olympic Trials by now-WBA welterweight champion, Donald Curry, via decision . . . Turned pro on November 1, 1980 . . . First pro fight was nationally televised by NBC as part of the Tomorrow's Champions series . . . Davey is the only one of yesterday's Tomorrow's Champions to be champ today . . . Won his first three pro fights by decision . . . Has knocked out all nine opponents since . . . Though still only a welterweight, was installed as number ten WBA junior middleweight contender in November, 1981 . . . Was immediately signed to fight Tadashi Mihara for WBA crown . . . ("I was supposed to be a messenger. I was supposed to win the title from Mihara so that I could go and lose it to the South African Charley Weir.") . . . Knocked Mihara out in mismatch and captured title on February 2, 1982 . . . First defense was against Charlie Weir in Johannesburg . . . In front of 55,000 screaming, partisan fans ("They thought Weir was a Superman. They 'knew' he would win."), Moore dropped Mihara twice in the second, once in the third, twice more in the fourth and a final time in round five for the knockout . . . Outlasted Ayub Kalule, and knocked the former champion out in the 10th round in next defense . . . Was butted and cut in that fight, and took 13 stitches over eye . . . Title defense against Gary Guiden had to be postponed when cut opened up again . . . Looked to fight Guiden as tune-up to big-money fight with Tony Ayala, Jr. . . . ("The little fat guy couldn't beat me.") . . . Plans for that fight were scrapped with Ayala's New Year's Day arrest . . . Knocked out Guiden in action packed four-rounds . . . Considered an excellent hitter but deficient defensively . . . Showboats in the ring ("I get exuberant.") . . . Recovering from broken leg, sustained night after Guiden fight . . . Looks to fight Roberto Duran in Bophutatswana in first multimillion dollar fight of his career . . . Likes nickname "Sensational"

DAVEY MOORE

New York City, N.Y. Junior Middleweight
Born: June 9, 1959. Height: 5 ft. 10 in.

1980

Nov.	1—Chucho Saucedo, Lake Tahoe	W	6
Dec.	20—Ted White, Bronx	W	6

1981

Jan.	17—Felix Nance, Boston	W	6
Feb.	8—Jeff Passero, Great Gorge	KO	3
Mar.	28—Tony Suero, Syracuse	KO	4
May	23—Josef Nsubuga, San Remo	KO	1
June	21—Kevin Rooney, Atlantic City	KO	7
Oct.	31—Michael Horton, Atlantic City	KO	7

1982

Feb. 2—Tadashi Mihara, Tokyo (Won WBA Junior Middleweight Title)	KO	6
Apr. 26—Charley Weir, Johannesburg (Retained WBA Junior Middleweight Title)	KO	5
July 17—Ayub Kalule, Atlantic City (Retained WBA Junior Middleweight Title)	KO	10

1983

Jan. 29—Gary Guiden, Atlantic City (Retained WBA Junior Middleweight Title)	KO	4

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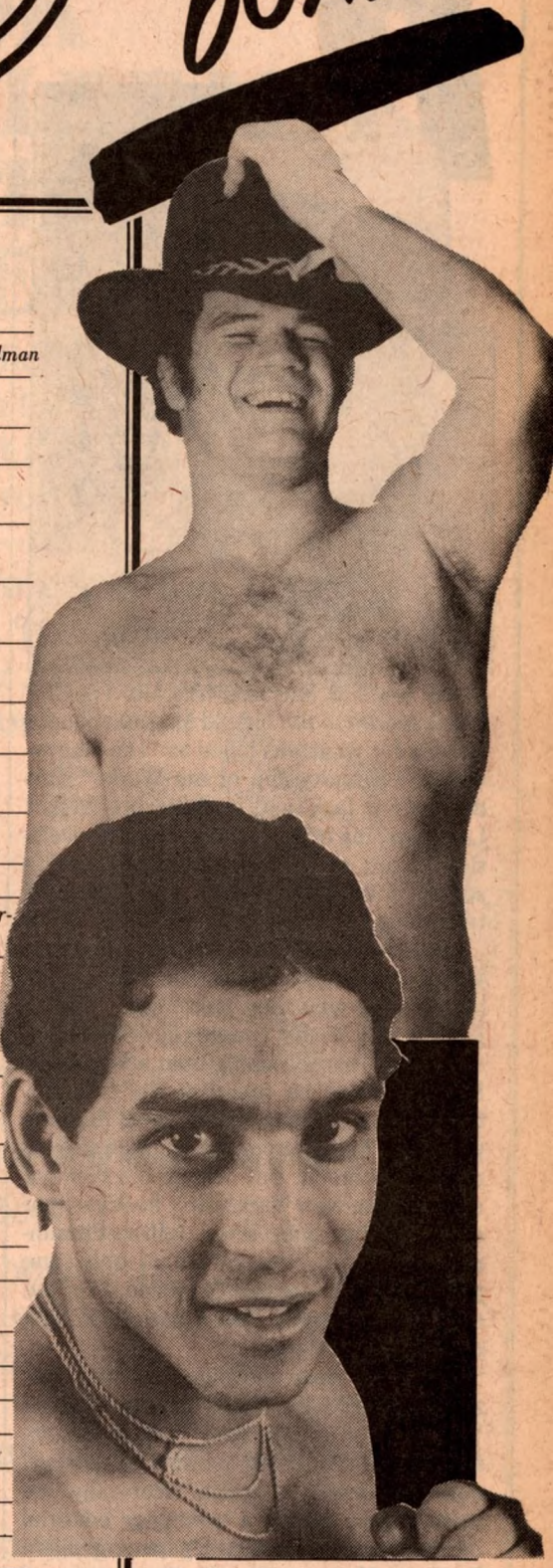

RINGSIDE

AWAY BACK IN 1916 JESS WILLARD FOUGHT Frank Moran in the old-old Madison Square Garden for what was billed as "The Heavyweight Championship of the World." This despite the fact that, in those pre-Walker Law days, the bout would go to a "No Decision" if one of the two participants hadn't scored a knockout within the prescribed ten rounds.

However, there was no fear that the bout would run its full course, the two participants being who they were: Jess Willard, killer of Bull Young, conqueror of the invincible Jack Johnson and a man who looked liked he could be found at the top of a beanstalk, and Frank Moran, he of the famed "Mary Ann" haymaker, with 18 knockouts to his credit. But despite the build-up attendant to New York's first heavyweight championship bout since Jeffries-Fitzsimmons some 17 years before, only one punch of any consequence landed, over the ten-round distance, that a desultory right uppercut by Willard.

The very next morning the two correspondents for the Hearst papers, the New York *Journal* and the New York *American,* filed stories describing the fight as "boring" and one "devoid of action." Ironically, the same papers carried a front-page editorial by the owner of the two papers, William Randolph Hearst, calling for the abolition of the sport, a sport he found "barbaric" and "brutal," not to mention "uncivilized"—all based on the Willard-Moran fight, a fight he hadn't seen, only imagined happening.

Now, some 67 years later, boxing is still under attack, still the whipping boy of those who know not of what they speak.

Today those amuck raters exist in many forms, not merely in the trappings of owners of newspapers. They come disguised as doctors, lawyers and even, if we were to press our search, Indian chiefs. But to presuppose those naysayers know of what they speak, anymore than did the aforementioned Mr. Hearst, would be folly. But it is their outlandish statements that seem to make headlines, almost as if newspapers have continued to live off the fatheads of the land.

(In fact, at a recent AMA-sponsored seminar on the Medical Aspects of Boxing, one of the chairpersons lamented that "The statement of Doctor Lundberg (editor of the AMA Journal) received 90 inches of space while the official position of the AMA received one-half inch.")

However, it is not our intention to belabor the point that boxing has always been—and seemingly will always be—the sandbox of sports. What is needed now is direction, both from within and from without, not suggestions from people having nervous breakdowns on paper.

We, therefore, welcome the well-intentioned efforts of such as the Association of Ringside Physicians and Congressman James Florio, both of whom, or so it seems, are interested in improving the lot of boxing and of the boxer.

It is hoped that they can at least initiate two basic tenets which will insure boxing's growth and popularity, at least here in the United States: One, that all states which conduct boxing have state athletic commissions and that, Two, all such state athletic commissions have minimal health standards for the care and treatment of boxers, our most important commodity. No, we don't want a Federal Commission—hell, we can't get a letter across the street in two weeks—merely a national organization of state athletic commissions which will give the United States equal bargaining power with other countries at boxing's international boxing table.

Then, and only then, will the future of boxing be insured and the influence of the WBA and the WBC be minimized.

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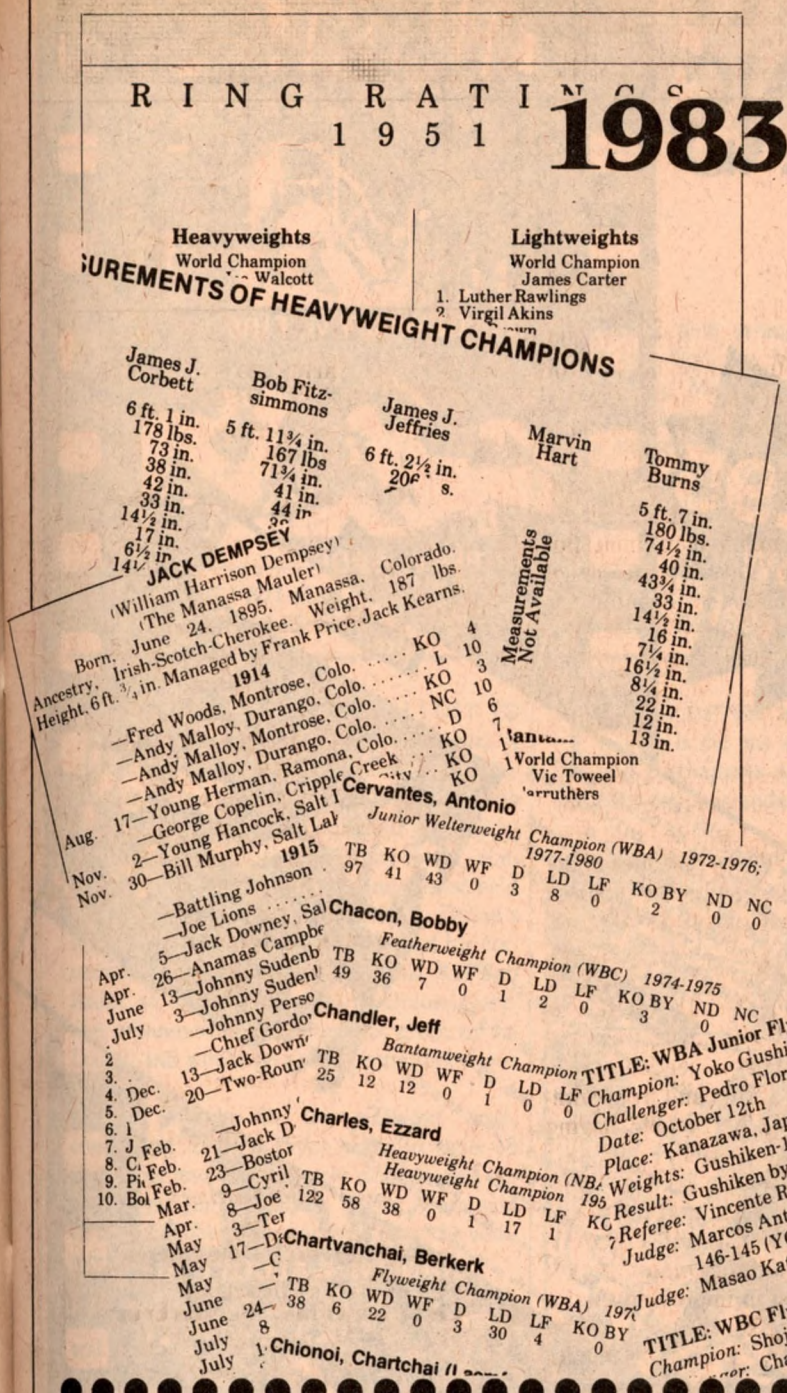
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1951
Heavyweights
World Champion
Walcott
Lightweights
World Champion
James Carter
1. Luther Rawlings
2. Virgil Akins
SUREMENTS OF HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS
James J. Corbett
6 ft. 1 in.
178 lbs.
73 in.
38 in.
42 in.
33 in.
14½ in.
17 in.
6½ in.
14½ in.
Bob Fitz-simmons
5 ft. 11¾ in.
167 lbs
71¾ in.
41 in.
44 in
James J. Jeffries
6 ft. 2½ in.
20[illegible] lbs.
Marvin Hart
Tommy Burns
5 ft. 7 in.
180 lbs.
74½ in.
40 in.
43¾ in.
33 in.
14½ in.
16 in.
7¼ in.
16½ in.
8¼ in.
22 in.
12 in.
13 in.
JACK DEMPSEY
(William Harrison Dempsey)
(The Manassa Mauler)
Born, June 24, 1895, Manassa, Colorado.
Ancestry, Irish-Scotch-Cherokee. Weight, 187 lbs.
Height, 6 ft. 1¾ in. Managed by Frank Price, Jack Kearns.
1914
—Fred Woods, Montrose, Colo. ..... KO 4
—Andy Malloy, Durango, Colo. ..... L 10
—Andy Malloy, Montrose, Colo. ..... KO 3
—Andy Malloy, Durango, Colo. ..... NC 10
—Young Herman, Ramona, Colo. ..... D 6
—George Copelin, Cripple Creek ..... KO 7
—Young Hancock, Salt [illegible] ..... KO 1
Aug. 17—[illegible] ..... KO
Nov. 2—[illegible] ..... KO
Nov. 30—Bill Murphy, Salt Lake
1915
—Battling Johnson
—Joe Lions
5—Jack Downey, Sal
Apr. 26—Anamas Campbe
Apr. 13—Johnny Sudenb
June 3—Johnny Suden
July —Johnny Perso
—Chief Gordo
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3.
4. Dec. 13—Jack Down
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8. C Feb. 23—Bostor
9. Pi Feb. 9—Cyril
10. Bol Mar. 8—Joe
Apr. 3—Ter
May 17—D
May —C
May —
June 24—
June 8
July 1
July
Measurements Not Available
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1 World Champion
Vic Towell
[illegible]arruthers
Cervantes, Antonio
Junior Welterweight Champion (WBA) 1977-1980 1972-1976;
TB 97 KO 41 WD 43 WF 0 D 3 LD 8 LF 0 KO BY 2 ND 0 NC 0
Chacon, Bobby
Featherweight Champion (WBC) 1974-1975
TB 49 KO 36 WD 7 WF 0 D 1 LD 2 LF 0 KO BY 3 ND 0 NC 0
Chandler, Jeff
Bantamweight Champion
TB 25 KO 12 WD 12 WF 0 D 1 LD 0 LF 0
Charles, Ezzard
Heavyweight Champion (NB[illegible]
Heavyweight Champion 195[illegible]
TB 122 KO 58 WD 38 WF 0 D 1 LD 17 LF 1 KO
Chartvanchai, Berkerk
Flyweight Champion (WBA) 197[illegible]
TB 38 KO 6 WD 22 WF 0 D 3 LD 30 LF 4 KO BY 0
Chionoi, Chartchai (J[illegible]
TITLE: WBA Junior Flyweight
Champion: Yoko Gushiken (Japan)
Challenger: Pedro Flores (Mexico)
Date: October 12th
Place: Kanazawa, Japan
Weights: Gushiken-107½, Flores-107¾
Result: Gushiken by a unanimous decision
Referee: Vincente Rainone (USA) 146-140 (YG)
Judge: Marcos Antonio Rodrigues (Mexico) 146-145 (YG)
Judge: Masao Kato (Japan) 146-142 (YG)
TITLE: WBC Flyweight
Champion: Shoji Oguma (Japan)
[illegible]er: Chan-Hee Park (Korea)
[illegible]10th
JULIO ARANCIBIA
Argentine Middleweight
1980
Jan. 11—Miguel Castellini, V. Carlos Paz ..... D 10
Mar. 7—Ruben Pardo, San Miguel ..... D 10
Apr. 11—Irineo Cabrera, San Miguel ..... W 10
May 2—Enrique Coronel, Salta ..... W 10
May 23—Eduardo Contreres, Rosario ..... D 10
June 13—Manuel F. Gonzalez, Rosario ..... W 10
July 4—Eduardo Contreres, Rosario ..... W 10
Aug. 9—Jose Duran, Gral Villegas ..... KO 3
Sept. 5—Jose Duran, Rio Gallegos ..... D 10
Sept. 26—Luis Gutierrez, Buenos Aires ..... D 10
Oct. 10—Roberto Ruiz, Rio Gallego ..... W 10
Dec. 12—Oscar Ayala, Rio Gallego ..... KO 6
Carlos Flores, Salta ..... L 10
RICARDO ARCE
Argentine, Middleweight
(Previous Record Unavailable
1980
Feb. 8—Jose A. Vega, Corrientes ..... TD 2
(Retained Argentine Middleweight Title)
Apr. 11—Jose A. Vega, Corrientes
(Retained Argentine Middleweight Title)
May 9—Juan C. Borad[illegible]
June 21—Rub[illegible]

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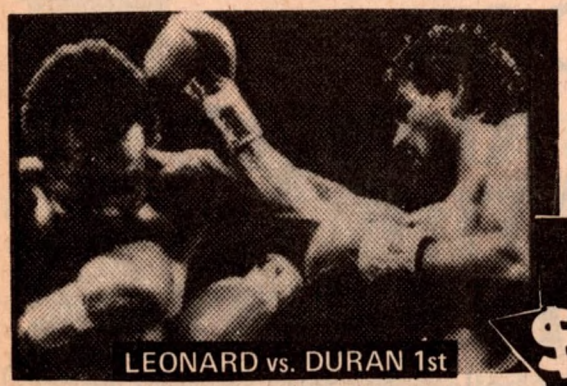

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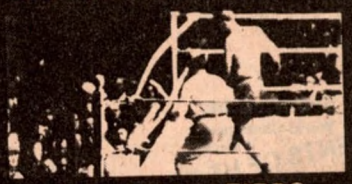

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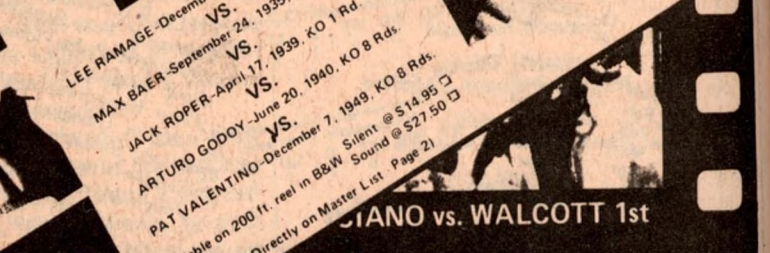

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ROUND ONE

CHANGING "NO MAS" (NO MORE) TO "QUIERO MAS" (ONCE MORE)

AFTER ROBERTO DURAN LOST TO Kirkland Laing last September, it was felt with near-unanimity that Duran was through as a fighter. Don King, who had promoted the Laing fight and who held a contract for Duran to fight Tony Ayala, conditional on his beating Laing, announced he'd never promote another Duran fight. Duran's long-time manager, Carlos Eleta, and his cornerman, Ray Arcel, broke with him. But Bob Arum, to the consternation of almost everyone, announced that *he* had not given up on Duran, and would go ahead promoting fights for him.

Duran fought in the walk-out bout, concluding Arum's Pryor-Arguello show in November and won a highly unimpressive decision over Jimmy Batten. When Arum said he'd book Roberto for another fight, the common response was "Has he no shame?!"

Now that Duran, has recaptured the fighting form that he had not shown in three years and has knocked out Pipino Cuevas, the conventional wisdom has been altered. "If Duran fights Davey Moore the way he fought Cuevas, Duran will win the WBA junior middleweight title," say many of the experts who two months ago called for Roberto's retirement. Arum comes out looking like a genious.

In a wide-ranging interview that will appear in *THE RING* next month, Arum explained why he did not give up on Duran when everyone else did. "I have the best 'boxing man' in the business in Teddy Brenner," said Arum. "He's not strong in administration, but he knows the game. He looked at Duran and said, 'This guy's not old (he's 31) and he hasn't taken too many punches in his career. What's wrong with him is that he's fat, and he lacks desire. If he can get motivated, there's no reason he can't get back in contention for the top spot.' "

Arum is now arranging a Moore-Duran WBA title fight for May. The fight, along with a Ray Mancini-Kenny Bogner, WBA lightweight championship bout and a Frank Sinatra concert will be part of a spectacular show at the Sun City resort in Bophutatswana, formerly part of South Africa.

AND COUNTING TO 11 REQUIRES THEM TO UNZIP THEIR FLIES

IT HAS OFTEN BEEN NOTED THAT boxing is the one sport where spectators and participants do not know the score while the action is underway. More intriguing

though is that because of the contrived 10 or 5-point must systems, most boxing observers—from casual fans to general interest sports reporters—do not understand what the score means after they have heard it.

After the Ray Mancini-George Feney non-title fight in Italy, *New York Times* correspondent Jane Gross made a big point of how "slim" the ten-round decision in favor of Mancini was. The judges' scores—98-96, 98-96 and 98-95—translated in fact, to 4-2, 4-2 and 5-2 in rounds which, though putting Mancini in a draw with "Even Round," did not make him seem that close to Feeney.

The convaluted point system not only confuses reporters and fans and conceals the incompetence of judges who call every other round even (How many fans would know right off the bat that a score of 148-144 in a 15-rounder means that the judge has called at least seven rounds even?), but also confounds the officials entrusted with the task of tallying up the cards and determining the winner. The result of the first Duran-Leonard fight was first announced as a majority decision for Duran. It was not until an hour later, that another official inspected the cards and noticed that all three, when correctly added up, called Duran the winner. And one judge's card at the Hearns-Benitez fight was added up, reportedly by Jose Sulaiman himself, to read 146-136 for Hearns. Later *The RING* publisher added it up and saw that the total came to 146-137.

Boxing is not unique in using an obtuse scoring system. Who the hell knows why, rather than tell us the score is 3 to 1, tennis announcers must say it's 40-15? But at least in a tennis game, anyone hearing that the score is 40-15 knows what that means.

It would be a lot more informative, and a hell of a lot simpler, if the winner of a round were given either one point (a 10-9 round, presently) or two points (instead of the present 10-8) etc. with no points going to the loser or to either man in an even round. Everybody would understand what a score of 9-4 in a 15-rounder indicates, and we'd bet that any WBC official could add that up. And if the final score after 15 (or 12) rounds was announced as 3-1, or something equally silly, everyone would know immediately that they're dealing with a judge so unsure of himself that he's afraid to call a loser in a round.

IT WASN'T AS CLOSE AS THE SCORE WOULD INDICATE

WHY AREN'T BOXERS BETTER athletes? That question was being asked after Matthew Saad Muhammad and Aaron Pryor, two of boxing's best, finished at the bottom of the heap in this year's edition of the annual *Superstars* contest on ABC. If it were only Pryor and Saad, one could blame it on bad luck. But going back to the first *Superstars* of a decade ago, when

former heavyweight champion Joe Frazier almost drowned in the swimming event, fighters have traditionally been beaten out by golfers and baseball players—not to mention, football players, pole vaulters and track stars.

Jimmy Jacobs, manager of Wilfred Benitez and Edwin Rosario and long-time student of the fight game, as well as one-time world's greatest four-wall handball player has a theory as to why boxers, undoubtedly as well-conditioned as other athletes, are not nearly as versatile. "Most of these kids come from the ghettos," says Jacobs. "They haven't been exposed to other sports in school; boxing is all they've ever done. Football or baseball players usually have experience playing other sports while growing up."

"Fight Doctor" Ferdie Pacheco elaborates: "There's a singularity of effort to being a fighter. Boxers do nothing else. There is no off-season. Football players, baseball players . . . What do they do for six months? They play other games."

"Muhammad Ali was the greatest fighter ever," says Pacheco, who was with Ali from the beginning, almost until the end, "but Ali couldn't swim, shoot pool, catch a pass or hit a baseball. It's like Benny Goodman—all he did was play the clarinet. Someone else might write music and play five different instruments, but Benny Goodman could do things with the clarinet that no one else could dream of."

THE ANNIVERSARY WALTZ

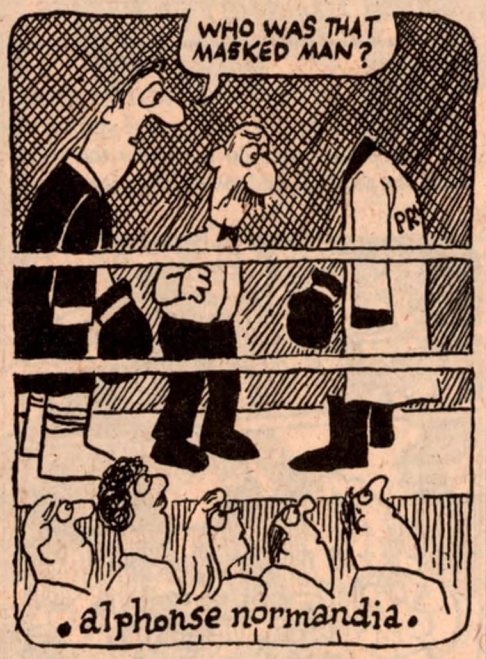
ON MAY 11TH A SMALL BUT significant anniversary party will be held at O'Reilly's Pub on New York's West Side. The local burghers, who will use almost any excuse for a party, have announced the party to celebrate the second anniversary of Gerry Cooney's last win, the first-round knockout over Ken Norton on May 1, 1981.

Hopefully, the party will last longer than the fight.

BOXING'S VERSION OF LAMONT CRANSTON

AARON PRYOR, SO EVIDENT INSIDE the ring, has become totally invisible out of it. Soon after his fight with Arguello, Aaron pulled up his roots and moved from his hometown of Cincinnati to a small apartment in Miami where he has holed up, away from friends, writers and ex-managers trying to find him. Not even the Boxing Writers, who voted him "Fighter of the Year," could get in touch with the elusive "Hawk".

However, one man found him, Quite by accident. You see, Pryor is currently being sued by his ex-manager buddy LaRosa in an Ohio court. And one day the sports editor of



the Cincinnati Enquirer just chanced to be passing by his newpaper's library when, lo and behold, who to his wandering eye should appear but the abovementioned Pryor, there at the Equirer office to get Xeroxes for everything in LaRosa's file. Seems the Hawk is now not only trying to negotiate his own contracts, but to serve as his own attorney as well . . . Which brings us to that old adage: He who serves as his own counsel has a fool for a client.

WHEN ONE-PLUS-ONE EQUALS MORE

THE DWIGHT BRAXTON-MICHAEL Spinks light heavyweight title unification bout was eagerly awaited by the entire fistic world. By all except Eddie Mustafa Muhammad, that is. Mustafa, who lost the WBA title to Spinks back in July, 1981, has climbed back to the top spot in the WBA ratings, claimed that he is Spink's next mandatory challenger and threatened to sue for an injuction should the WBA sanction Braxton-Spinks.

The WBA, which prefers having a champion who knows his place—that is, one who jumps when they say "frog" in English, Spanish or Korean—responded by threatening to strip Spinks of his title if he went ahead with the Braxton fight. In a near-panic, Butch Lewis, promoter of the "Brawl for it All", together with associate, Don Majeski, flew down to Mexico to meet with WBA president Gilberto Mendoza and ratings' chairman, Elias Cordova. In a negotiation akin to a high-stakes poker game, replete with bluffs and counter-bluffs, Lewis told the WBA honchos that he intended to go ahead with Braxton-Spinks, with or without their imprimateur, relying if need be, on the WBC sanction and on the belief that no matter what the WBA said, the public would perceive this fight as deciding the "undisputed" title.

"They agreed to sanction the fight," said Majeski, "on the condition that Spinks and Braxton both signed a binding pledge to defend against Mustafa within 60 days, should they win. We didn't take any chances. We didn't fly out of Mexico until we got both Cordova and Mendoza to sign a letter affirming our agreement." The letter was read to reporters by Butch Lewis at the New York press conference announcing the fight. The WBA's fee is safe!

Mustafa was still not satisfied. "It's 60 days now . . . and then 60 becomes 90 . . . and 90 becomes whatever," complained Mustafa. "Until they step into the ring, I'll try to stop it."

The whole distasteful business is squarely the fault of the WBA and WBC. Each group has a policy of not listing the other group's champion in the ratings. This leads the almost laughable situation where it is exceedingly difficult to put together title-unification bouts. Either half-champion can duck a fight against his counterpart with impunity—he can't be stripped of his crown for that. And it the all-too-rare event that a promoter succeeds in lining up a WBA-WBC unification fight, the mischief-makers are always there to sabotage it. It's almost forgotten now, but the WBA tried to kill the Sugar Ray Leonard-Thomas Hearns fight. Only the overwhelming public demand, and Mike trainer's intransigence in the face of their demands forced

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them to back down.

Eddie Mustafa Muhammad is a fine fighter, but there is no denying the fact that off their performances in recent years, Spinks and Braxton, in whatever order, were the top two light heavyweights in the world going into their fight. Had the WBA, which recognized Spinks as champion, rated Braxton number one, where he belonged, the unnecessary trouble would have been avoided. But the WBA and WBC, which collect sanctioning fees on every title fight held—and even some in the planning stage—are more interested in controlling their own champions than in avoiding needless confrontations that threaten their Houses of Cards.

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JUMPING TO CONTUSIONS

WBA JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHT champion, Davey Moore has a cast on his leg, the result of an injury he suffered recently in Atlantic City. Oh, the injury wasn't incurred during a bout, but ironically occurred immediately after his defense against Gary Guiden and came when a fan called out to Moore. Moore, turning quickly to see who had invoked his name, caught his knee in an awkward position and twisted it, falling onto the carpet and further injuring the ligaments. Now, for the sake of a "Hello" his upcoming bout with Robert Duran is in jeopardy.

PUNCHLINES

PROMOTER DAN DUVA, ANSWERING the charge that his fighter, Johnny Bumphus, is constantly fighting substitutes instead of the announced opponent, "We keep making the mistake of signing to fight Billy Costello, and he keeps pulling out."

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THE WBA CONVENTION: AFTER THE SAND-BAGGING IN SAN JUAN

THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE WBA is a corrupt organization which serves only to reap profits for itself. But the tone of your anti-WBA articles in the December *Ring*, instead of pointing out problems and offering solutions, chose instead to adopt a jingoistic approach of how "we"—meaning the U.S.—were getting "screwed." Well the truth is that all boxing commissions to this date have "screwed" fighters and fans worldwide. They've all been self-serving rip-off artists. Remember the NBA? No angels either. What's the difference if Lating gangsters or American gangsters control the sport? Either way you've got a guaranteed mess.

Mr. Sugar apparently believes that merely by mentioning "strange-sounding" Oriental names he has proved his point that the WBA ratings are wrong.

Boxing should have no place for groups like the WBA. But it should also have no place for jingoistic tirades.

WENDELL W. WATKINS, DETROIT, MICH.

Your December edition of Ring Magazine is now selling on the bookstands in South Africa and I have read with interest the open letter to you from Ron Hayter which is given prominence in such edition. I feel that some comment must be made in regard to the letter and to the biased article to which it is appended:

1. Mr. Hayter, whose knowledge of procedural matters has long been recognised in the WBA, was personally requested by Judge Klopper to advise him on such matters. He agreed to so act and for this purpose sat next to the Judge. Mr. Hayter was accordingly acting as Procedural Adviser to the Chairman of the Meeting when the Lee supporters moved the elections be held.
2. Mr. Hayter advised Judge Klopper that the motion required only a simple majority.
3. Article VII of the WBA Constitution requires that the election of officers be the penultimate order of business followed only by adjournment. The Constitution requires that all unfinished business be concluded before any elections can take place.
4. The business of the meeting had not been concluded. In fact, Dr. Keith Arthur, the WBA Medical Adviser, was about to present his report when the motion was put for an election.
5. In the circumstances, the motion to hold the elections quite clearly required a two-thirds majority, not a simple majority. What was required was a motion to suspend the requirements of the Constitution to allow for a change of order of the business of the meeting so that elections could take place. This required a two-thirds majority which was beyond the capacity of the supporters of the motion.
6. When the Lee supporters found their schemes to call an election by simple majority frustrated, bedlam ensued. Physical threats made against the Chairman and others forced the Chairman to adjourn the meeting, which had lost all semblence of order.
7. The truth of the matter is that Judge Klopper insisted on compliance with proper democratic process. For this your article sees fit to drag his good name through the mud.
8. It is interesting to note that on the following day Mr. Hayter allowed his name to go forward as a candidate for the position of International Co-Ordinator in respect of which position he was the incumbent. It was only when he was defeated in the election for that office that he saw fit to walk out of the WBA.
9. Insofar as the writer of the article "The WBA Screws the USA" is concerned, it seems that the writer thereof was not present at the WBA Convention and that the article is based on heresay.
   (a) In the first place he refers to various amendments which were never put to the WBA because of the Lee supporters' anxiety to precipitate an election;
   (b) Again, for the sake of clarity, I must point out that I am not the current European Rep. for the WBA as per the caustic remark in the article. The Honourable Colin Moynihan, a Steward of the British Boxing Board of Control who was present at the WBA Convention, was elected Regional Vice President for Europe; and
   (c) The delegate from Denmark did request the position, but as Denmark had not been recognized as a voting member at the Convention because of its failure to timeously pay its Membership Fees, he was not in the position to nominate himself let alone vote for his nomination.

The whole article smacks of bias, regional interests, and poor losers. Regrettably, *"Ring"* gets painted with the same colours—lack of objectivity, colloquialism and sour grapes.

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GERRY COONEY HAS LET HIS FANS down. We had faith in him being the kind of person American youth could look up to. But now we see Cooney and his managers used us all—the media and fans. It seems he was in it for the money. Nothing else.

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GARY COFFIA, LYNDALE, GA.

A TITLE THAT'S PHONY AS WELL AS TAINTED

I HAVE TO LAUGH WHEN *THE RING* calls Michael Dokes a "tainted champion." Not because he isn't, but because you're implying that had he won the crown in a non-controversial manner, it would not have been tainted. *RING* knows as ell as anybody that Larry Holmes is the World Heavyweight Champion. To me, it doesn't make a difference what the WBA does with their phony belt. Dokes could knock Weaver down for the full count of 10, and he still wouldn't be bet-

ter than a tainted champion. Unless being a phony champion is better than being a tainted one.

Anyway, I'm sure Dokes will knock Weaver down for the full count if the referee doesn't take pity on Weaver and stop their rematch after Weaver gets knocked down for the first time. *EYAL SHAI, BETHLEHEM, PA.*

WATCH WHAT YOU SAY ABOUT WATT!

IN HIS DECEMBER ARTICLE ON THE lightweights, Michael Katz calls Jim Watt a "mediocrity", "incredibly dull" and a "second liner" not worthy of a title shot. How right he is. It matters little that Jim Watt is a gentleman who brought nothing but credit to the sport. And it matters even less that he beat top-ranked fighters such as Howard Davis, Jr. and Sean O'Grady. And it certainly matters nothing at all that he went out against Arguello like a true champion, going the distance in a great fight.

What matters is that Jim Watt was born British, and as such had no right to be a world champion. Isn't that right, Mr. Katz?

M.J. LEACH, LONDON, ENGLAND

Once again, in your (otherwise) excellent magazines one of your contributors must belittle the achievements of a British fighter. Michael Katz writes that "Arguello finally wrested the title from the protected hands of Jim Watt." For Mr. Katz' information, Watt had successfully defended his title against four fighters rated by *The Ring* in the top ten. The "incredibly dull mediocrity" was good enough to soundly beat the highly-skilled Howard Davis Jr. This hardly conjures up the image of a protected fighter.

B.P. JONES, WARWICK, ENGLAND

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EVEN THOUGH I THINK THE WBC IS the better of the two WB's, I think they are making a big mistake in cutting their title bouts to 12 rounds. World championship fights should be scheduled for 15 rounds. What the WBC should do is make sure that the contenders and champions come in in good condition, or don't sanction the fight.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q Just saw a copy of your March issue, in which you were asked about the last time a fighter won a world crown with a first round knockout. You said it was Prudencio Cardona on March 20, 1982, when he kayoed Antonio Avelar. Shouldn't the answer have been Ray Mancini, who knocked out Antonio Frias.

—JACK STRUNK

A *Yes. The question, in the context of the letter that it came in, was understood as meaning* prior to *Mancini's WBA title winning knockout, and, of course, before Mike Weaver's loss to Michael Dokes.*

Q Over the years, I've heard and read suggestions that Sonny Liston took a dive in both his title fights with Muhammad Ali. In the first bout, in 1964, Liston quit in his corner after six rounds and gave up his title. Very strange! The next year, he caved in under just one punch in the first round, and though I've never had access to Sonny's mind, the knockout did not look at all authentic. Does *The Ring* believe that either fight was fixed.

—NEIL WELCH

A *Hear no evil, see no evil, speak no evil.*

Q Was Miguel Velasquez, the WBC junior welterweight champion in 1976, the same man who had previously won the European lightweight crown by beating Ken Buchanan?

—D.W. WHITE

A *Yes.*

Q Was Muhammad Ali ever North American Boxing Federation heavyweight champion?

—LONNIE YATES

A *Yes. He won the NABF title—vacant since Leotis Martin's retirement due to a detached retina in 1970—by stopping Jimmy Ellis in the 12th and final round in Houston on July 26, 1971, successfully defended against Buster Mathis, George Chuvalo, Jerry Quarry, Floyd Patterson, and Bob Foster, lost it on a split nod to Ken Norton on March 31, 1973 in San Diego (in which bout Muhammad's jaw was broken), regained it from Norton via split duke on September 10 of the same year in L.A., successfully defended against Joe Frazier in Madison Square Garden, and then regained the world crown by knocking Foreman out in Kinshasa, Zaire, on October 30, 1974.*

Q A story in the December, 1982 issue of *The Ring* said that Andy Ganigan had been the lightweight champion. Please explain. Exactly when did Ganigan win the title?

—DON L. DE BOER

A *Ganigan won a share of the world lightweight crown by knocking out Sean O'Grady in Little Rock, Ark., on October 31, 1981. Sean had won the WBA title from Hilmer Kenty on April 12, 1981, but lost that body's recognition several months later. His father, Pat O'Grady, then formed the World Athletic Association (WAA) to recognize Sean, and it was the WAA crown that Ganigan won in Little Rock. Andy was knocked out by WBC Alexis Arguello in his next bout (May 22, 1982), ending whatever titular claims he possessed.*

Q Where was Flash Elorde from?

—JUAN C. ENOJADO

A *The Philippines.*

Q What is Jack O'Halloran's address?

—WOODY GOSS

A *You can write to Mr. O'Halloran c/o the Screen Actor's Guild, 7750 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood, Calif. 90046.*

Q I remember my husband telling me that, at one time, 20 rounds constituted a boxing match. Is this true. If it is, can you let me know when that distance was abolished?

—ROSE BERNSTEIN

A *It is true. 20 rounds was the usual title bout distance before World War I. Modern commissions, modeled after the New York State Athletic Commission that was created in 1920, prefer the 15-round route.*

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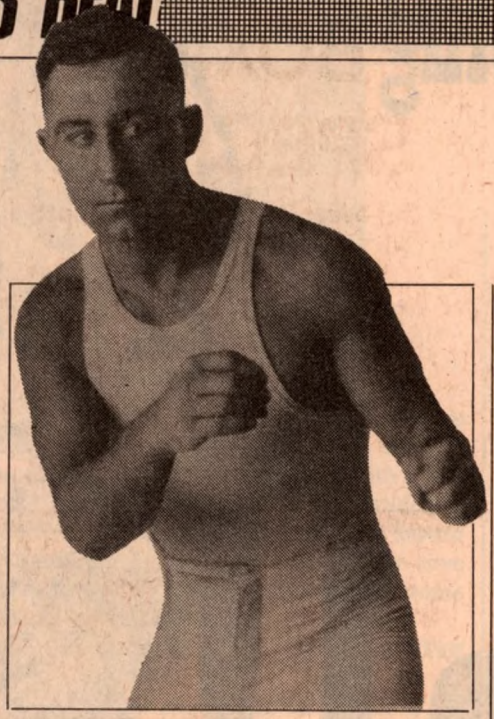

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Happy Birthdays to former champs: Paul Berlenbach who was 82 years old this past February 18th; Johnny Wilson, who celebrates his 90th birthday on March 23rd; and Joey Maxim, who will be 61 years old on March 28, 1983 . . . Word comes from Sid Starr, former lightweight contender from Brighton, England. Sid, sends regards from Tommy Farr, Larry Gaines and Jackie Kid Berg, who wish to be remembered to all their friends in America . . .

Cincinnati, Ohio's Jimmie Amann, veteran boxing promoter, writer and publisher of "The Weekly Boxing Letter" since 1948, has been hospitalized in critical condition at Bethesda Base Hospital in Cincinnati. Amann, 72, was stricken at his suburban Cincinnati home in December. Extensive internal bleeding was discovered and he was placed in intensive care. Given poor chances of survival, Amann miraculously has made it through a most critical period. As of this writing, Jimmie has responded well to treatment and is able to sit up and is feeding himself. For many years Amann was the Ohio reporter for Ring Magazine, his column entitled "Southern Ohio Jabs"—God Speed, Jimmie . . .

Leroy Haynes, one-time great heavyweight leading contender of the '30s who fought all the top men of his era, now working in a classy cafe in Paris, France . . . Clint Davidson, former boxer and organizer of youth clubs around the Philadelphia area, recently passed on. He was the son of the late Skinny Davidson, one-time popular manager of Harold Johnson. Rest in Peace.

The late Phil Krug, a great middleweight who made his reputation as a ring great in and out of Harrison, N.J., was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on April 5, 1898, where his father was a street car conductor. Phil only weighed 98 pounds when he started his boxing career in the amateurs at the end of 1913. In 1914 and 1915, Krug won the New Jersey amateur title in his class at the Turn Verein Hall in Newark, N.J. Right after the 1915 tournament, Krug turned "pro" under the wing of Hugie Garland. Under Garland's handling, Phil started topling all opposition up to November of 1917. When World War I broke out, Phil enlisted in the U.S. Navy, remaining in service to the end of the War. The Harrison Wildman won the welterweight championship of Panama in 1918 while still in the Navy. Hostilities over with, Phil, now discharged and ready for ring action—and under the management of Joe Jacobs and Billy MacCarney—became a serious title contender from 1920 till his retirement in 1929 . . .

Phil fought every leading welterweight and middleweight of his era. On August 14, 1922, he lost a close 15 rounder to Dave Rosenberg, billed as for the middleweight champion. He also fought other greats including: Jack Britton, Abie Bain, Mike Gibbons, Bryan Downey, Phil Kid Kaplan, Mickey Walker, Dave Shade, Harry Martone, Irish Fagan, and Georgie Ward plus all the other middleweight contenders of the roaring '20s. For many years Phil operated a bar on the corner of Grant and Searing Ave. in Harrison, N.J. together with Bud Gorman and Paul Cavalier. Phil served as Gene Tunney's sparring partner when Tunney was training at Saratoga Springs in New York for the Dempsey bout. He passed away on October 17, 1978 at age 80 and is enshrined in the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame. "Our hats off to this former unforgotten fistic great who fought them all barring none." RIP—Phil Krug.

Tracing Some Stars

Tony DeMarco, former welterweight champion, has been appointed court officer at the Massachusetts State House . . . Former Middleweight champ Paul Pender is a court officer for the Brookline, Mass. District Court. Pender also occasionally does commentary for fights on local cable . . . Joe DeNucci, former contender now a State Representative for the State of Massachusetts, recently sponsored a boxing bill which Governor King of Massachusetts signed into law. The bill reduces the tax on the live gate from 5% to 4% and more importantly, reduces the tax on the broadcasting rights from 5% to 2%. The signing of this bill pretty much assures a brighter future for boxing in the state of Massachusetts.

Nick Belfiore, active Philadelphia trainer, has sold his gym in South Philly and moved to bigger and more modern quarters where he and his brother Joey are handling the prospects . . . Barbara Buttrick, the secretary of Ring 31 of South Florida, writes the Association has moved its meeting place to a more centralized location at the Knights of Columbus Hall in North Miami, Florida . . . On December 3, 1982 in San Francisco, boxing writer Eddie Muller, who covered and knew champions from the Dempsey era until the present during a 52-year career with the San Francisco *Examiner*, died while at an awards dinner. Muller, who retired from the *Examiner* in 1976, was 75 years old at the time of his death . . . RIP. Bucky Keys, nee Angelo Zimbardo, age 70, former colorful fighter from Jersey City, N.J., died on December 29, 1982 at St. Francis Hospital in Jersey City. A pro boxer from 1927 to 1938 in a career which spanned 87 bouts, he battled many top contenders including Al Singer, Freddie Red Cochrane, Lou Lombardi and many others. Bucky was a past Pres. of Ring 14 and was enshrined in the N.J. Boxing Hall of Fame . . . RIP.

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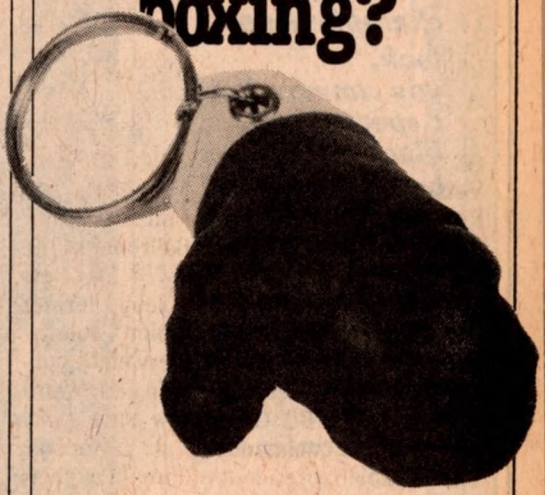

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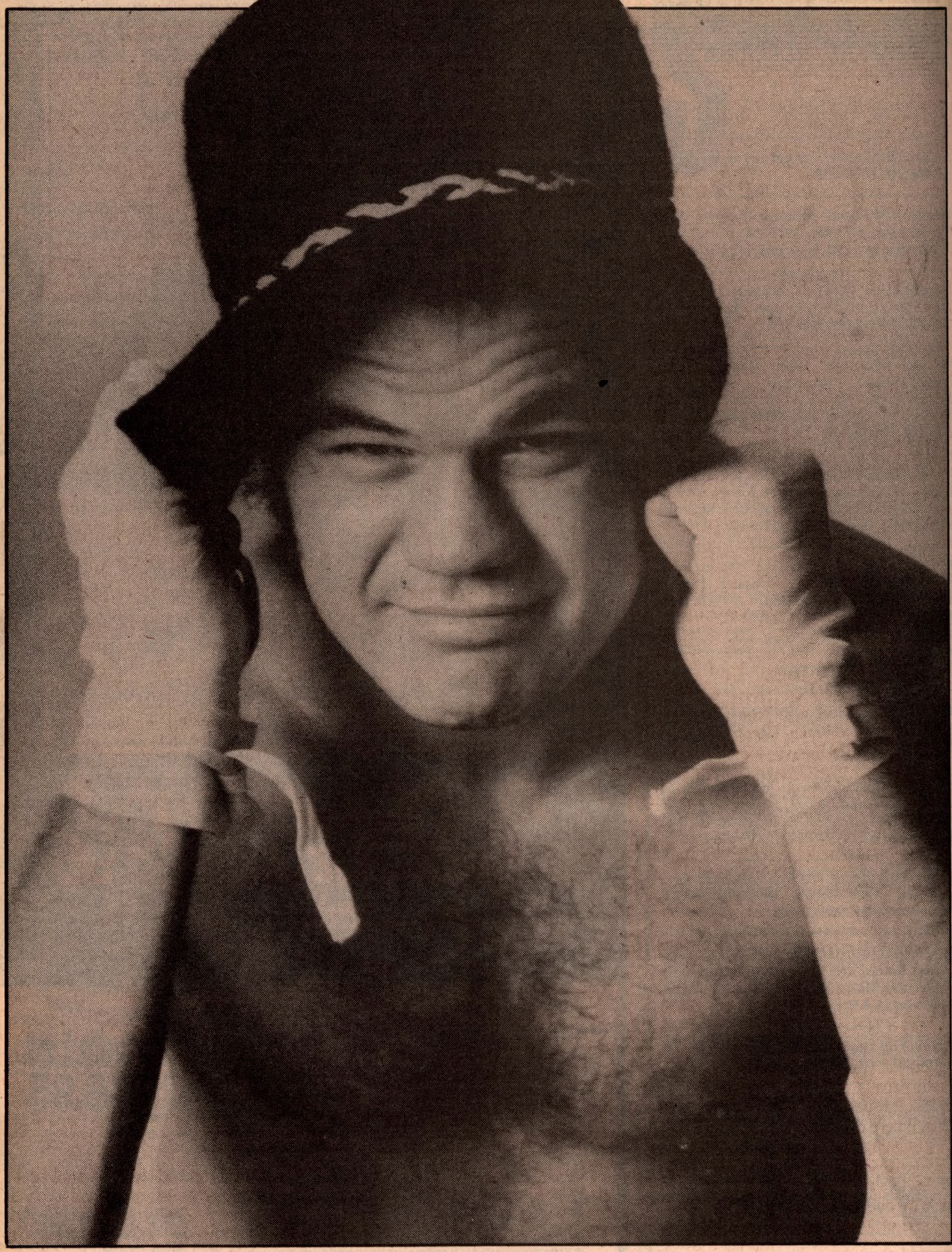

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WHEN RANDALL (TEX) COBB was reached by phone and asked to be interviewed by THE RING, he politely answered, "I'd love to do it." Then he was asked how he felt about appearing on the cover of RING'S April issue. Cobb laughed loud and long. ¶ One week later, Cobb showed up at RING'S midtown Manhattan offices. He dressed up for the occasion, wearing his favorite denim shirt, his favorite broken-in—no, make that worn—blue jeans, his favorite scuffed brown cowboy boots and a sinister-looking black cowboy hat. His favorite one, of course.

After a photo session in RING's nearby studio, Cobb went to lunch with Editor/Publisher Bert Randolph Sugar and Associate Editor Randy Gordon. Between bites of his two heavily-loaded cheeseburgers with extra mayonnaise ("Cook them all the way through. I hate to see red!" he told his amused, if not bemused, waitress. "If that's called well-done here in New York, make them well-done") and mouthfuls of beer, Cobb answered all of Sugar and Gordon's questions the same way he fights: Straight ahead, no side-stepping and with everything he had.

During the interview, Cobb stopped and asked, "What the hell will you guys put on the cover, 'Randall Cobb, the man who beat up Larry Holmes' fists'?" As the three thought, Cobb came up with the answer. There could be no words but these:

"Randall (Tex) Cobb—Not Just Another Pretty Face!"

R: Take us back to Randall Cobb's beginning. Where did it all start?

C: (Laughing) Do you mean my life previous to this one?

R: No, let's stay with your present life.

C: Why not? It's been a lot of fun. Okay, I'm one of four boys. There's Glenn and Danny, who are older than I am, and Marty, who is about four years younger than me. Growing up, we played every sport we could. The only thing I think I successfully played with was myself. But I did win; I did compete. I always tried.

R: Marvin Hagler has said he found out at an early age that he could smack people out and even enjoy it. When did you find out you could fight?

C: Very early on. I had more than my share of kids calling me names and picking on me. They'd see me walking down the street—and Lord knows you couldn't miss me, I was so fat—and they'd start to yell, "Here comes 'Cobb the Blob' " ... and things like that. Occasionally, I had to show them "Ol' Fatso" knew how to take care of himself. It gave me a great feeling hitting some of those guys and watching them fall.

R: What sports, if any, did you compete in during your high school years?

C: I was on the track team. I threw the shot. "Put the shot," to be exact. I didn't play basketball because I was too fat and slow. Baseball wasn't for me because I was scared of the ball. I know that sound funny, but I played baseball through Little League, when they made you play. When I walked up to the plate, my chubby knees would be shaking. To me, there wasn't something right about some guy throwing a hard white ball at me and me not getting a chance to throw something back. So I took up football. Everybody in Texas plays football. I started playing in my sophmore year in high school. The following year, I suffered some torn ligaments on a trap play. I saw the fullback take the handoff and run straight at me. I said to myself, "Randall, you got him dead to rights. You're gonna' be a hero. Your name's gonna' be up in lights." Just then a lineman hit me from the side. I never saw him coming. He knocked my knee up into the nickel bleachers. But they picked my knee up and put it back together. I continued to play through high school and earned a scholarship to play at Abilene Christian.

R: You spent much of your college football career as a blocking back for Wilbert Montgomery, now a star running back for the Philadelphia Eagles, didn't you?

C: Yes, I did. And I'd like to say this about Montgomery: I've met more than a couple of pro athletes and I've found very few of them about whom you can say "Hell, I'm

just proud to know him." Wilbert Montgomery is that kind of man.

R: Did you do any weight lifting as a kid?

C: I sure did. I especially was fond of the leg press. I could get up to about 800 pound on that thing. But you're always stronger as a kid or young man.

R: Paint us a picture of the neighborhood you grew up in.

C: It wasn't anything serious. Middle class, I'd suppose you'd call it. Maybe not even that. My mom raised me and my brothers. She's my favorite person in the world, a real super lady and a good friend of mine. She was at ringside for my fight against Larry Holmes. So were my brothers.

R: Did brother Dan, whom you've said was an outstanding athlete, ever want to play pro ball?

C: Dan had an opportunity to play pro ball, but he messed up his knee playing cowboy . . . He broke horses for a living.

R: What about you? Did you ever break horses?

C: No, I'll tell you the truth. That shit don't pay no money. I was trying to help support my family, and breaking horses ain't exactly the way to do it.

R: During your school days, what was your best playing weight?

C: Two hundred sixty-five pounds.

R: Was that before or after a night of beer drinking?

C: When I was 20 years old I did not touch a drop of beer. I can guarantee that when I was an athlete, there wasn't a straighter one to be found. I was always the jerk athlete who would stand up at the team meetings and say, "If I catch anybody drinking beer, I'm gonna' tell the coach." I really was that straight.

R: What finally got you started in boxing?

C: Well, I never had much confidence in boxing. I mean, out on the streets, you're not gonna' see two guys standing straight up, throwing combinations and working everything off the jab. Beer mugs, knees, feet, elbows and the top of your head take the place of the Marquis of Queensbury's rules. I began taking karate lessons. It was wilder, looser and more up my alley.

R: Just how wild were you?

C: Well, I never looked at myself as being wild . . . but what kid does? Once, I nearly got thrown out of Abilene Christian for shooting flaming arrows at a guy on the roof of the next dorm.

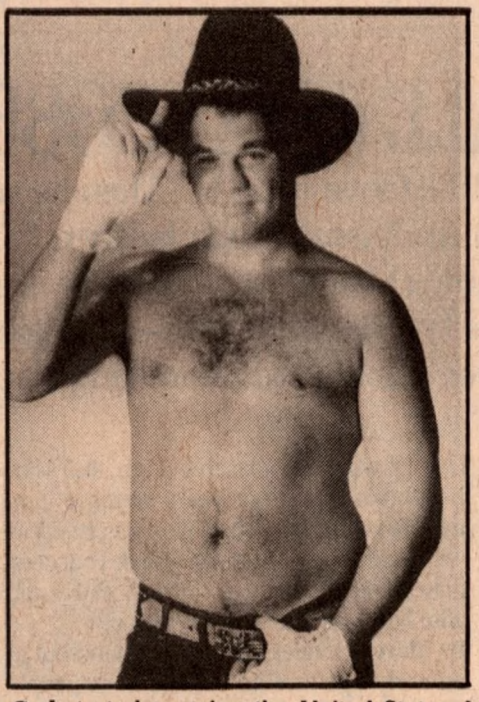
R: Flaming arrows? You could've killed the guy!

C: That's what I was trying to do. He was shooting off bottle rockets and things like that. Those things could explode and scare you. I had visions of putting one of those flaming arrows in his chest and watching him die . . . just like in the movies.

R: Were there any other wild things you did in college?

C: Well, there were a whole bunch of things. I guess one of the best things I did was take over the girl's dorm. Nobody in the history of the college had ever done that. It was a real good feeling. But I was smart. I didn't do it all by myself. I had some of the school's real good athletes with me. So, after the whole thing was over, I didn't really get in trouble, because, to expel me, the school would have also had to expel many of their top jocks. They weren't about to do that.

R: After you were finished with Abilene Christian, what did you do then?



C: I started roaming the United States. I wound up in a karate studio in Albuquerque, New Mexico. I found that by taking on the best black belts I could—and whipping them—I became the new local bad ass, had 30 brand new friends, the woman of the land, a place to crash, sometimes a meal . . . and really, fightin' was a lot surer bet than a local pool game, where they had some real hustlers.

R: Where did you "practice"—if that's the proper word—your karate?

C: El Paso, Albuquerque, Las Cruces, Farmington, all the big towns. In full contact karate, I won a few North American titles. I really enjoyed it. One day, I was kick boxing a boy who was a black belt and a local Golden Gloves champion in El Paso. I drilled him. Broke his nose, put seven stitches in his chin and knocked him out.

R: Is Randall (Tex) Cobb a prejudiced man?

C: No, he's not. He'll fight any white man, black man, brown man or men of any other color. He especially likes when they're yellow and having physical and/or mental breakdowns when they step in the ring. I won't lie and tell you the pigmentation of my skin had nothing to do with marketability. What I do in the ring with my fists is another thing.

R: Would you like to fight Gerry Cooney? A victory over him would skyrocket your price.

C: I'd love to fight Cooney. But I have my price, you know.

R: How much is that?

C: Twenty-five cents and a loose woman.

R: Is there anybody you wouldn't fight?

C: I'll fight anybody. Get me the biggest guy you can find, the toughest and most ornery for the most money and do it quickly. Listen, I've already fought the hardest-hitting heavyweight alive in Earnie Shavers. Nobody alive hits harder than he does. If there is, I'm gonna' shoot him. The cute thing about my fight with Shavers is not watching me or ol' Earnie, but my trainer, Georgie Benton, in the corner. The films show that every time I got hit a good shot—which was no more than a dozen times a round—Georgie would either look away and wince or cover his eyes.

R: You beat Shavers and you also beat another big slugger, Bernardo Mercado. How hard does he punch?

C: Bernie is okay. Ain't nothing wrong with Bernie. He can box a little bit, too. He has a lot of talent. But not enough intensity.

R: It's been said that Mercado lacks heart. Do you think so?

C: Lacks heart? I damn near beat that sucker to death and he didn't give up. I sure wish he had.

R: Do stare-outs right before the bout starts ever work for you? Or against you?

C: (Chuckling . . .) Those things are always hilarious to me. Here's big, bad Earnie Shavers, probably the baddest man God ever allowed to walk on two legs, and he got up there with his bald head and his Fu Manchu and his bulging muscles and he stared at me. I cracked up. I thought, "Why in hell is this muther trying to psyche me with a stare." What did he think I was gonna' do, leave? Hell, if I was that scared I woulda left 'fore then. The funny thing about that fight is, right after the stare-out and the bullshit instructions, I walked back to my corner. When I got back, there's Georgie Benton saying,

"Wow, did you see the shoulders on that sucker? He must've been two-and-a-half feet wide!" I said, "Georgie, I don't need to hear this!" Damn, big Earnie looked like he was two axe handles broad. But don't remind me of it just before he's about to try and take my head off!

R: Do you remember the right hand Shavers dropped James Tillis with in the ninth round last June 11th on the Holmes-Cooney undercard?

C: I sure do. Tillis is lucky he didn't suffer a broken neck. I'm tellin' you, this guy is serious. He's dangerous, a real lifetaker. I remember the fifth round of my fight with Shavers. He hit me a ton of a shot. More than once that round. When I went back to my corner, Georgie screamed in my face, "Just don't let the son of a bitch kill ya'! "

R: How did you wind up going from Abilene and El Paso and those kind of places to Philadelphia?

C: Well, I met a businessman, a real nice guy, named Paul Clinite. He told me I could make some money in boxing if I kept my feet on the ground. He said he's send me to Philadelphia. Well, I never was in Philadelphia, so it sounded good to me . . . I went.

R: There are stories that in Philadelphia you used to practice karate in the subway station. Is that true?

C: Well, more or less. You see, where I come from, subway is just a word. Nobody knows what it is. To them, a subway station is somewhere you go to get mugged or robbed or raped. So what I did was practiced my katas down there whenever I was waiting for a train . . . A kata is a dance-like exercise in karate. By practicing my katas, I was letting any would-be muggers know that if I was going to get hurt, I wasn't the only one who would be hurt.

R: Do you ever get the temptation to kick a man while you were boxing him?

C: I went through those problems early in my boxing career . . . would find myself lifting my legs instead of using my fists. It was instinctive. But no more . . .

R: Every fighter dreams of getting a shot at the title. You got yours last November against the "Fighter of the Year," Larry Holmes. Looking back, was he everything you thought he'd be?

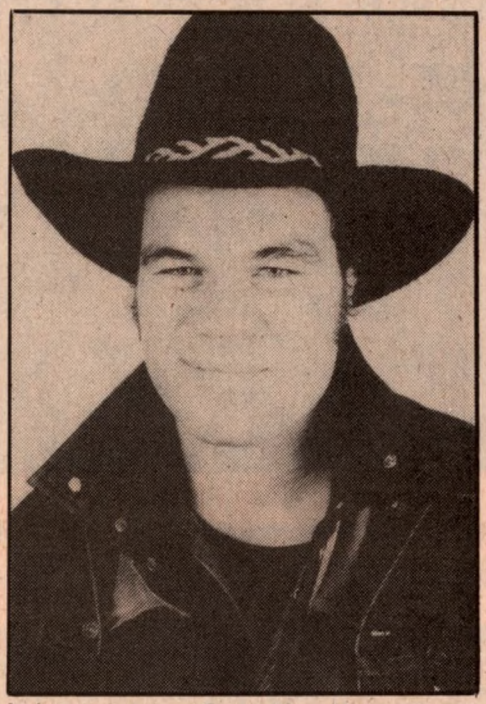
C: Everything, and more. Holmes is a real fine champion.

R: We noticed your mouth moving during the fight. Were you constantly talking to Holmes?

C: You might have seen my mouth moving, but did you notice the drool, too? Naw, if I wanted to communicate with Larry during the fight, I would have had to send him a letter. I didn't get near him enough to talk to him. Every time I wanted to say something to him I found it hard speaking, because he kept putting his left hand in my mouth. I just wish he would have fought me the way he fought Cooney. Against Cooney, Holmes stood and fought, he warred, he fought off the ropes, he fought every which way. Against me, all he did was move.

R: It had to be very frustrating for you to be so thoroughly outboxed. It might sound crazy, but would you like another shot at Holmes?

C: Yes, I would . . . but not right away. I'm gonna' learn to catch a man first before I step in the ring against him, especially if



he's a runner. Guys like Holmes and Michael Dokes are runners. I might get my ass kicked, but they are not, under any circumstances, gonna' outrun me again in life. I may get whupped, but I'm not gonna' get embarrassed and outrun. That I promise. I'm still dumbfounded, though, because, as I said earlier, Holmes' history has not been one to keep dancing for 15 rounds. He stood with Ken Norton. He stood with Shavers. He stood with Cooney. He stood with absolutely *everybody* . . . but me!

R: Throughout the fight—and there may not have been a round he didn't do it—Don King kept yelling . . . did you hear it?

C: "All night long! " I heard him.

R: Did that bother you?

C: Why should it have?

R: Because here was the promoter rooting for a certain guy and . . .

C: (Cobb roars with laughter for close to 30 seconds.) Are you saying boxing's not honest?

R: If you had stretched Holmes on the canvas, don't you think King would have come over to you?

C: Sure, he would've called me his "Main Man" and stuff like that. He would have come over and tried to put his arms around me. I don't believe he would have gotten them all the way around, however!

R: Here are some names of heavyweights. Give us your brief analysis of each guy. Let's start with Larry Holmes.

C: Class guy. Real nice jab, moves well. Incredible endurance . . . (he chuckles) . . . Tremendous endurance. I enjoyed working with him and learned a great deal.

R: The WBA and the WBC.

C: I think that the politics that are involved in boxing are about as useful and valuable as the politics in use in the world today—and about as honest!

R: Gerry Cooney.

C: He's done the best he could with what he has. I have no problem with Cooney's guts. He comes to fight and won't quit. He has had the benefit—or perhaps the handicap—or the best single marketing campaign in history. He was sold for $10 million before he was a proven product. But he did all he could. He went out there and raised all the hell he could. The fact they didn't teach him to fight or wouldn't allow him to fight anybody on his way up is not Cooney's fault. It's on the people behind him.

R: Michael Dokes.

C: That son-of-a-bitch can move. He's really gifted. He's got that blazing hand speed and runs well. I think Michael is actually a little faster than Holmes. He sets a guy up real well. I was too conservative against him. I'd like to have a go at him again.

R: Mike Weaver.

C: He's a big strong boy, punches good and hard, got guts.

R: Do you believe that fight in Las Vegas between Dokes and Weaver?

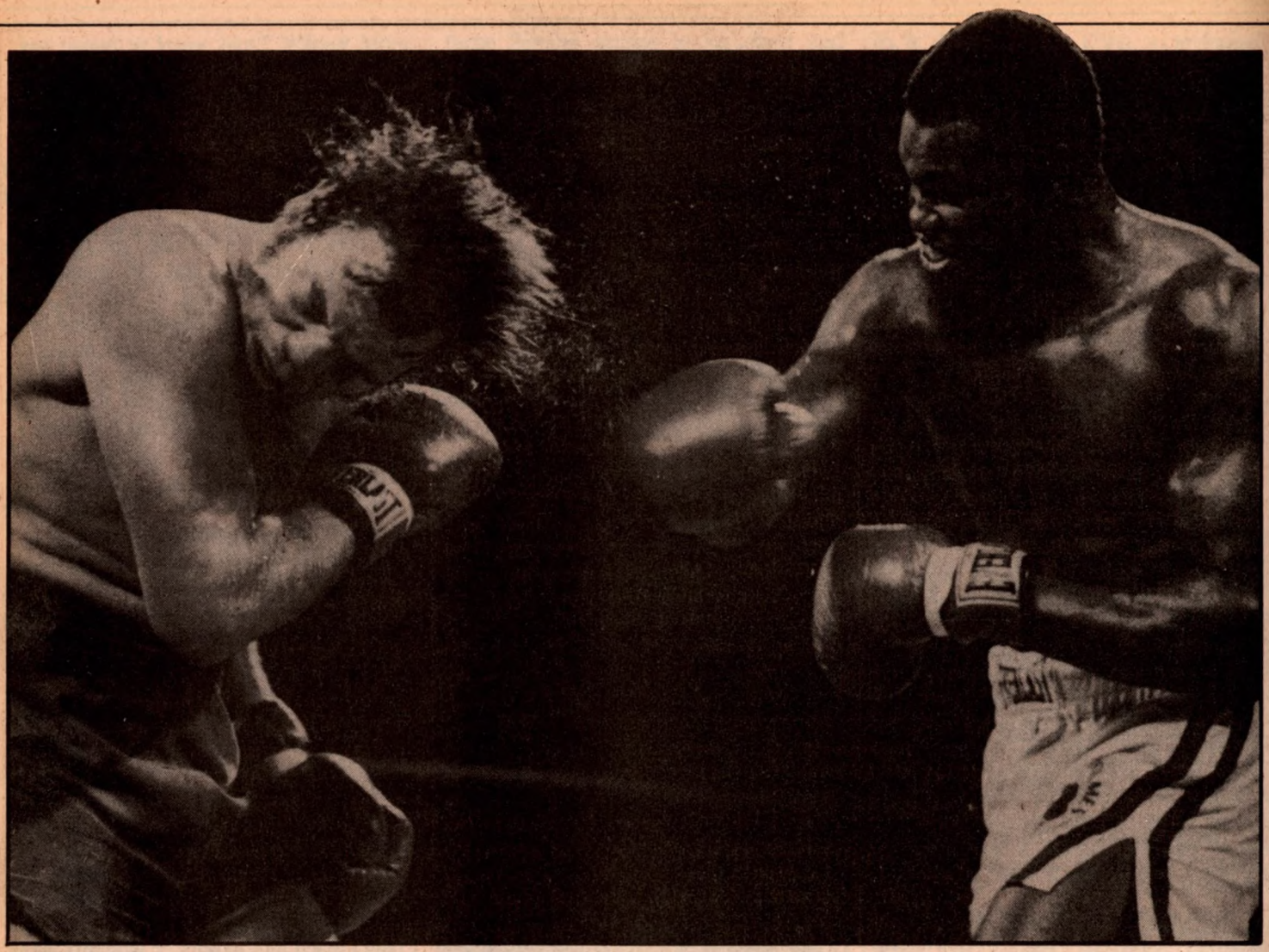
C: I saw it, but I don't know if I believe it.

R: What do you think happened?

C: I think the referee stopped it.

R: You're a real diplomat, aren't you?

C: In my own humble opinion . . . (Cobb puts his mouth inches from the microphone and proceeds to speak in a slow, loud, clear voice) I think Don King bought and paid for the Mutherfucker and then the son-of-a-bitch didn't have the sense to wait until Michael Dokes knocked the cocksucker out . . .



R: Alright, you're entitled to your opinion . . . let's continue. Greg Page.

C: The turkey's got talent.

R: Don and Bob Arum.

C: (A Cobb belly laugh again fills the room). Give me a break, I'm eating!

R: Your fight against Holmes was promoted by King. Do you have any options with him?

C: Outside of killin' him or takin' him to court, no.

R: How much money did he take away from you?

C: Seven hundred thousand dollars. Don King is one of the great humanitarians of our time. He has risen about the great term prejudice. He has screwed everybody he has ever been around. Hog, dog or frog, it don't matter to Don. If you got a quarter, he wants the first 26 cents. He cut that $700,000 from me because I didn't show up in Houston when I was supposed to help promote the fight. But $700,000. That's gotta' be some kind of record for a fine! I must say I've come a long way since my first fight, when I got $100. By the end of that first year, guess what I was then earning . . . One hundred dollars.

R: Do you believe you can be world heavyweight champion?

C: I certainly do. But I'll say this—I don't know what it is about me that inspires my opponents. Every time I fight a top name opponent they just seem to have a banner day. Dokes. Shavers. Holmes. Mercado. Jeez, Mercado had a reputation of quitting when he was ahead. Against me, all he wanted to do against me was rumble.

R: In the 1960s, Jerry Quarry and George Chuvalo were boxing's "Great White Hopes." In the '70s, it was Duane Bobick and Scott LeDoux. Now, in the '80s that label has been given to you and to Gerry Cooney. Do you mind the label?

C: I don't care what you call me . . . Just pay me enough money to get my mind off the names you're calling me. Naw, I don't give a shit about the white man. All I want to do is hit somebody in the mouth. It's a whole lot easier than working for a living. Don't make anything noble out of what I do. That ain't the case. I fight because I'm lazy. Not a little bit lazy . . . a whole lot lazy. I'm lazy enough that I'll fight to keep from working.

R: How long do you plan to continue your ring career?

C: I don't know. What's today? No, boxing thrills me. Training thrills me. Believe it or not, I enjoy trainning more than I enjoy partying. Damn, I love training. I love fighting. When I turn over a right hand, when I privot my right hip and my shoulder and my weight and I'm on balance and I connect with that sucker dead onto his chin when he's leaning forward, then at that moment in time, that's all there is. When I'm training, when I'm fighting, that's all there is for me. That's all I want to do.

R: You enjoy yourself, don't you?

C: I certainly do. Listen, a man can get married. If he doesn't like his mate or doesn't get along with that person, he can pick up and leave. Sometimes it's hard to do, but it can be done. A man can leave his home, he can leave his country, he can leave his job, he can leave and walk away from anything he wants. But a man must have inner peace with himself. He must be able to get along with himself, to like himself, to live with himself. From himself a man can never escape. As for Randall (Tex) Cobb, the man is in love . . .

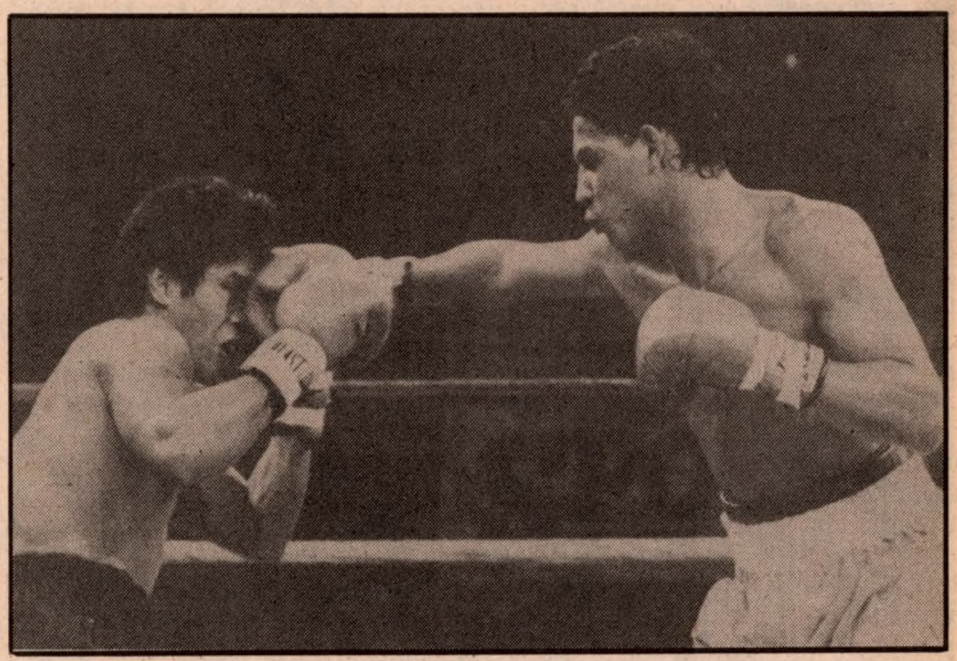
"MACHO" CAMACHO: HOW DOES HE RATE WITH THE EXPERTS?

IF HE'S ALL THAT Mort Sharnik of CBS says he is, then Hector Camacho could be the greatest fighter to come out of New York County since Gene Tunney and Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom half a century ago. At worst, he could be the most over-hyped product of publicity since . . . well, since Gerry Cooney crossed the East River from Long Island. ¶ One crunching left uppercut, early in the first round, was all that the southpaw Camacho needed to dispose of John Montes in a fight that was supposed to be a true test of his worth. Camacho stepped in, either held Montes' head with a right or just missed, depending on what angle you saw it from, and uncorked the furious punch as Montes moved in. "I never saw it," Montes reported. It caught him flush, and Montes, whose only loss in 24 previous outings had come on a disputed decision to former WBA lightweight champion Hilmer Kenty, pitched backward and took the count. By Ben Sharav

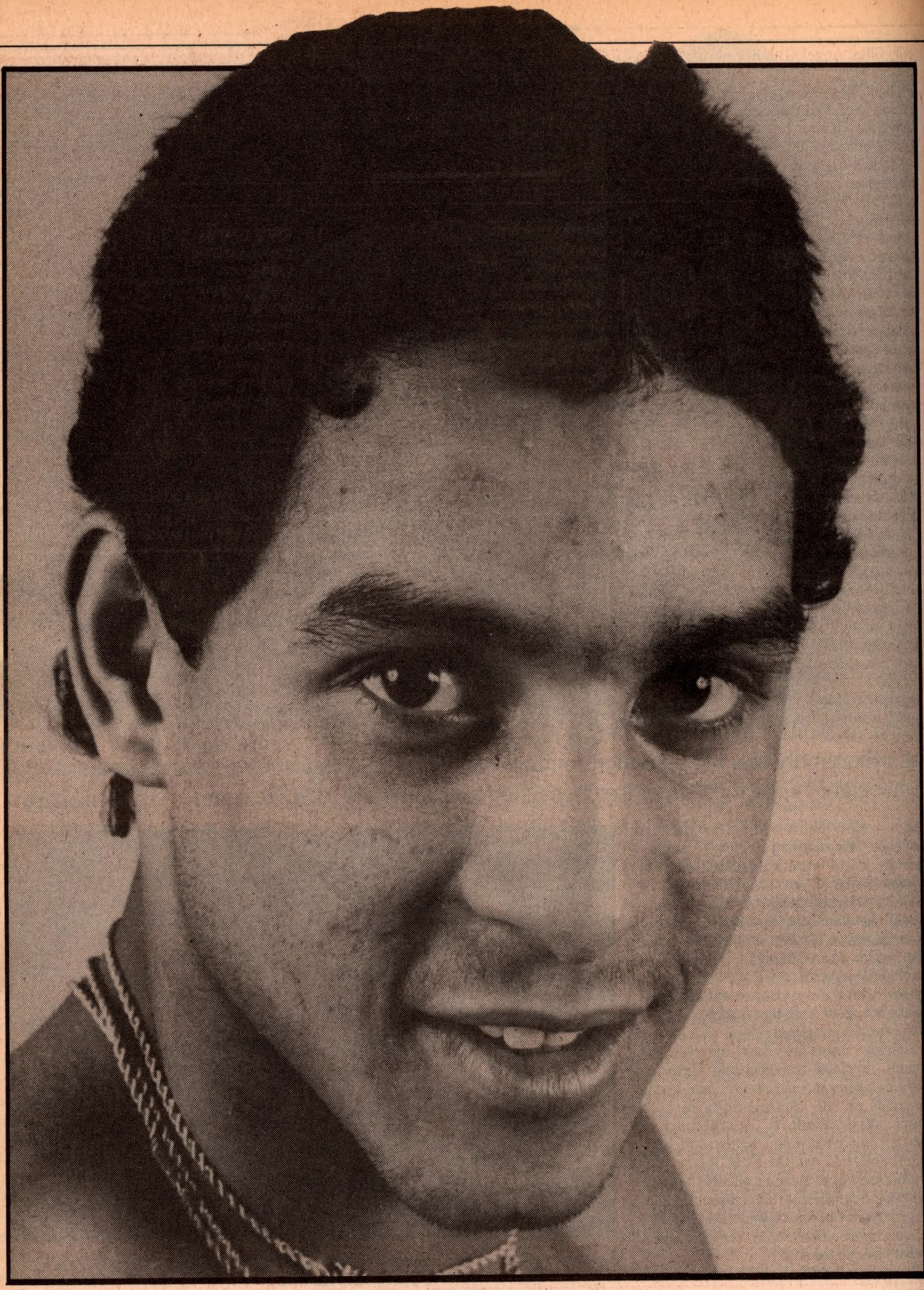
JUST A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, HECTOR Camacho was fighting regularly on the monthly Felt Forum cards, but was unknown outside of New York. He closed out 1981 by winning the NABF junior lightweight championship from Blaine Dickson at the Forum in his 12th pro fight. But that title, which he's defended only once is worth little more than a subway token, though it provides Camacho with a fancy immitation gold belt that makes a great prop when he is photographed.

"Nobody wants to fight him at 130 pounds," explains manager Billy Giles. So Camacho fights as a lightweight, and keeps his sights on the championships of both classes. Next month, he is scheduled to fight for the WBC junior lightweight title. But he wants to win the WBA lightweight crown before the year is out. He doesn't fight at the Felt Forum anymore; he fights on national TV. Hector Camacho—"Macho" if you will (THE NEW YORK TIMES won't)—has arrived.

"I'm gonna destroy Bobby Chacon," says



Camacho lands a right hand on Johnny Sato. Hector's second TV appearance was an impressive one as he knocked out Sato in 4.



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Billy Giles. Angelo Dundee always tells reporters what "my guy" will do, come the big fight. Most managers indulge in the pluralistic "we", implying that it's a joint effort. Billy Giles has a tendency to leave the fighter out of it entirely. But it's Camacho who will be fighting Chacon for the WBC junior lightweight title in Anchorage soon in a Round One Productions/Don King co-promotion.

None of the experts approached by THE RING expect Chacon to beat Camacho. But there is some disagreement as to just how good "Macho" Camacho is, and just how far he will go.

Camacho does not want to hold the junior lightweight title for long. WBA lightweight champion Ray Mancini is the next target in Camacho's one-year plan. "Ray Mancini will be easy," boasts Hector.

Billy Giles is trying to egg Mancini on. "If Ray Mancini wants to be a man, instead of a little girl," shouts Giles, "he'll give 'me' a shot. All he does is fight bums."

Camacho hasn't fought bums. In his TV debut back in the summer, he knocked out the undefeated lightweight prospect Louis Loy. Since then, he's impressively beaten the undefeated world-rated lightweight Greg Coverson, Johnny Sato and Melvin Paul, as well as Montes. He's rated number three among junior lightweights by THE RING and by the WBC—but the WBA has him back at number eight. "It's because the WBA can't control us," says Giles.

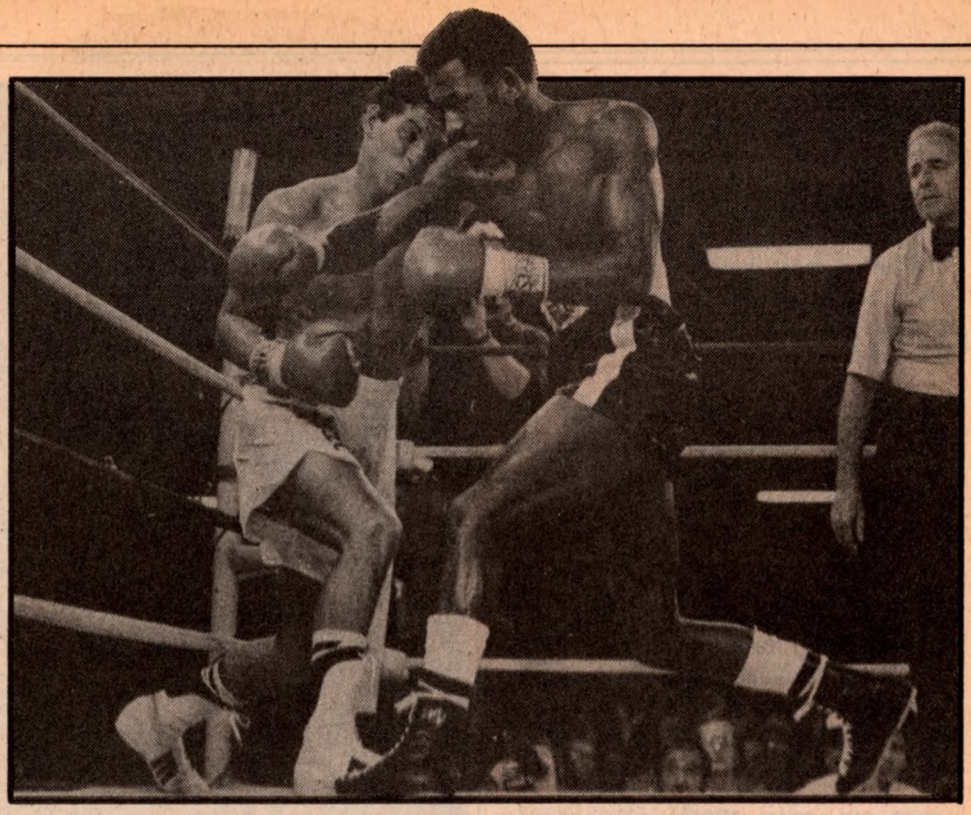
But while his opponents have not been bums, neither has Camacho fought the top men in either the junior lightweight or lightweight classes. It's not fair to fault Mancini for not fighting Camacho when no group has Hector rated anywhere among the lightweights.

Everyone is impressed by the 20-year-old soutpaw Camacho's speed. The power still has to be tested. Mort Sharnik, who arranges the fights for CBS call Camacho "the most exciting fighter in the world.' He punches well with both hands and boxes as well as anyone."

Some are calling "Macho" Camacho the southpaw version of Willie Pep. The promoters who are working with him, and the fans who want to see him fight for the title, hope that Camacho does not create his own obstacles outside the ring. As a juvenile in Spanish Harlem, he built up a long police record, mostly for auto theft, even serving a stretch on Rikers Island for finding cars before they were lost. "You can take my place," Sugar Ray Leonard told Camacho. "But only if you straighten up."

"I already did," Macho answered.

"Don't worry about that," says Billy Giles. "Hector's not gonna blow it. He was wild. He has his own brand new El Dorado now. What does he need to go and steal one for?"



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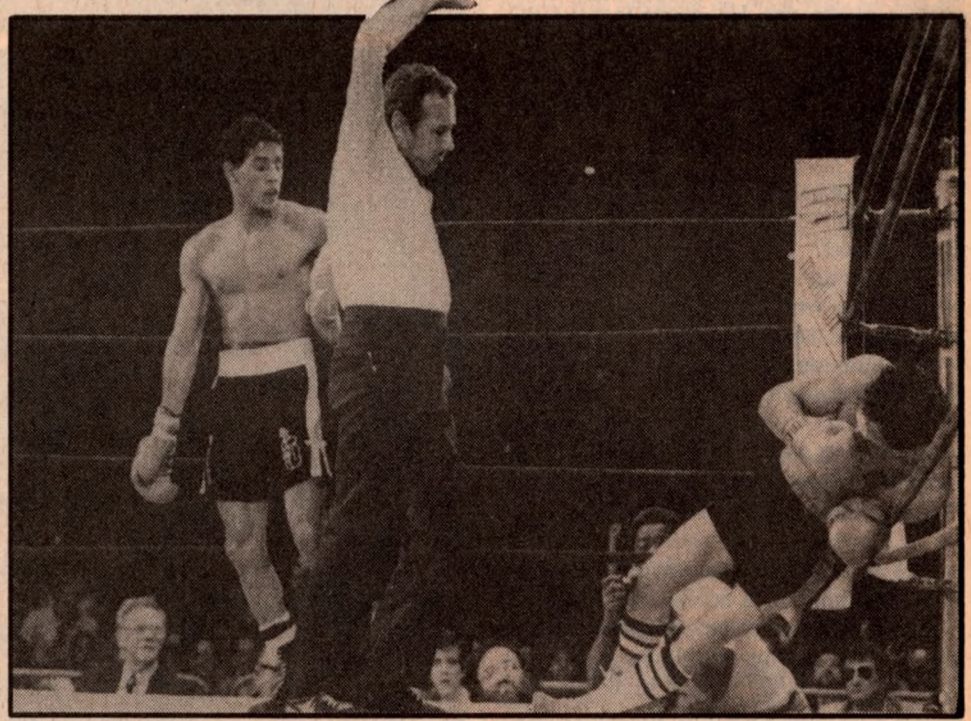
How good is "Macho", Camacho, really? We polled fighters, managers, promoters and writers and got a surprisingly consistent response:

SUGAR RAY LEONARD: "He has all the skills. The only thing that can keep him from being a champion is himself—maybe by what he does outside the ring more than by what he does in it."

TOM KENVILLE, Madison Square Garden Boxing Dept.: "There's no doubt that Hector Camacho has a lot of talent. He's quick and he can hit. But he's a big hot dog . . . and sooner or later he's going to meet someone who will take some of that starch out of him. It will be interesting to see what will happen then."

FERDIE PACHECO, the "Fight Doctor:" "Camacho's good; very good. The potential is there, but he's not experienced enough to be considered great. What happens if he fights someone like Johnny Bumphus? Who



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knows? Right now, I'd say Bomphus wins. He's got to be rated as the better all-around fighter."

MURRAY GOODMAN, publicist, Don King Productions: "He's a good boxer, but I don't think he's a great puncher. He has exceptionally fast hands. If he follows his patern, he could become a champion. He still has a lot to learn.

JOE BRUNO, New York Newsworld: "Before his first TV appearance against Louis Loy, Hector Camacho told the press, 'I'm as good as Sugar Ray Leonard.' We all laughed. Now we're just smiling. A lot of people think he may be right. I don't. I think Camacho is overrated. I'm still waiting for him to fight someone really good. I think Rosario beats him, and I think Boza-Edwards beats him. Camacho should be able to take Chacon's title, but I don't think he'd beat Mancini. He doesn't hit hard enough. Mancini might stop him late."

JOSE SULAIMAN, WBC president: "He hasn't had that one big fight that can make or break him. He has the potential to be the fighter of the decade."

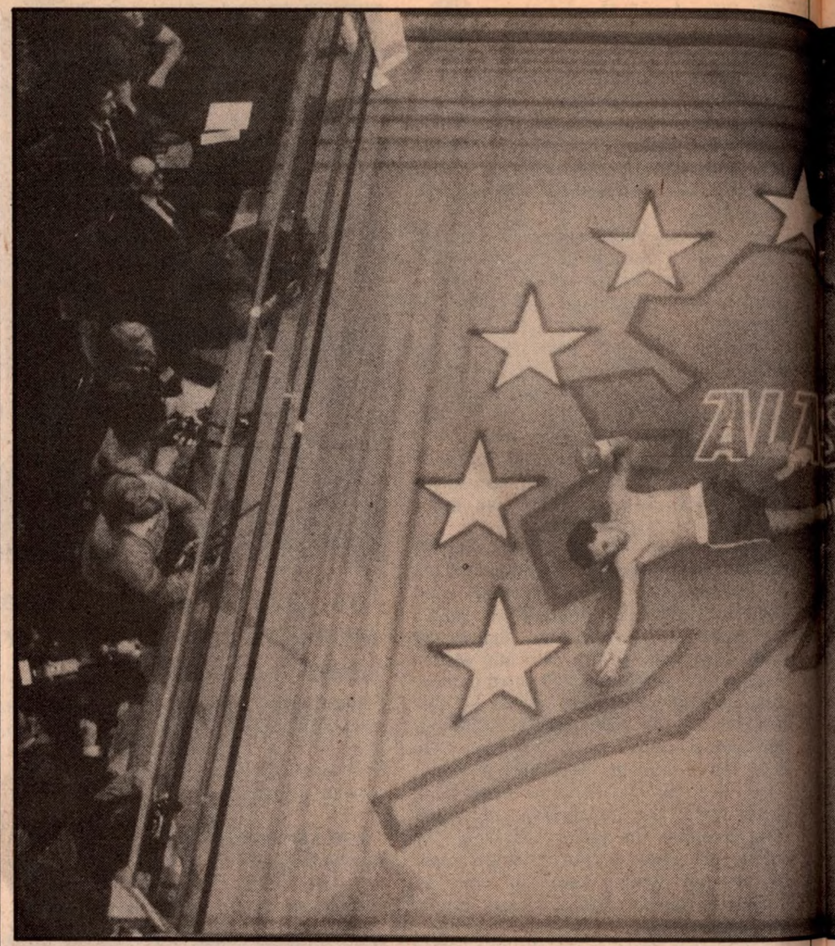
DAN DUVA, manager of Tony Ayala and others: "Camacho's an excellent fighter. He's doing everything right. Great set-up fighter for the right combinations. Punches from angles, rather than straight on. He's never in front of you. I think he's a combination Willie Pep, Emile Griffith and Fred Astaire."

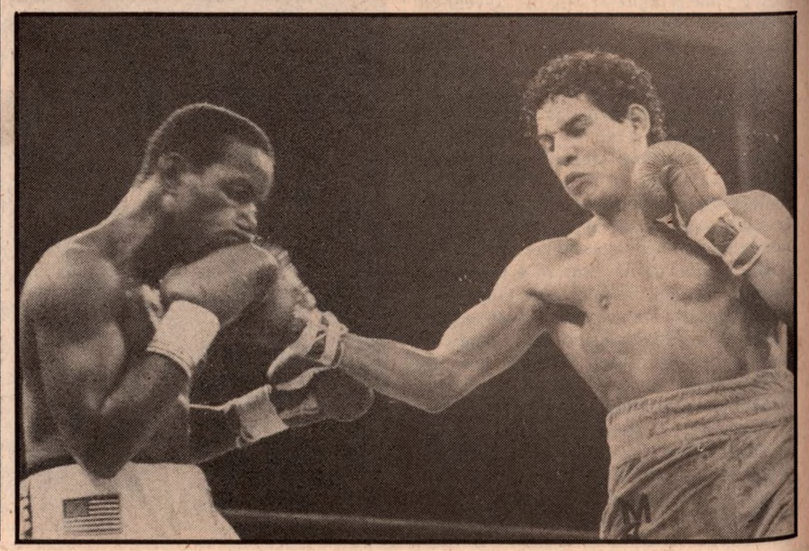
LARRY MERCHANT, HBO commentator: "He has the style and personality to become a media star. He seems to have the psycological make-up someone who wants that role. In the smaller weight divisions, he is clearly a major public figure, along with Aaron Pryor and Ray Mancini.

SAOUL MAMBY, former WBC junior welterweight champion: "Camacho's real good fighter. Not the cleanest fighter though. I don't see anyone in the junior lightweights who can stop him from winning the title. He could take Mancini's lightweight title, too. I don't think much of Mancini (as a fighter)."

HOWIE ALBERT, manager of Juan LaPorte: "Camacho's the most exciting fighter in the game."

WILLIE PEP, legendary World Featherweight Champion: "I don't know that Hector Camacho should be compared to me. He's a southpaw for one thing, so he's got to fight differently. I don't think he slips punches the way I used to. But he's quick,





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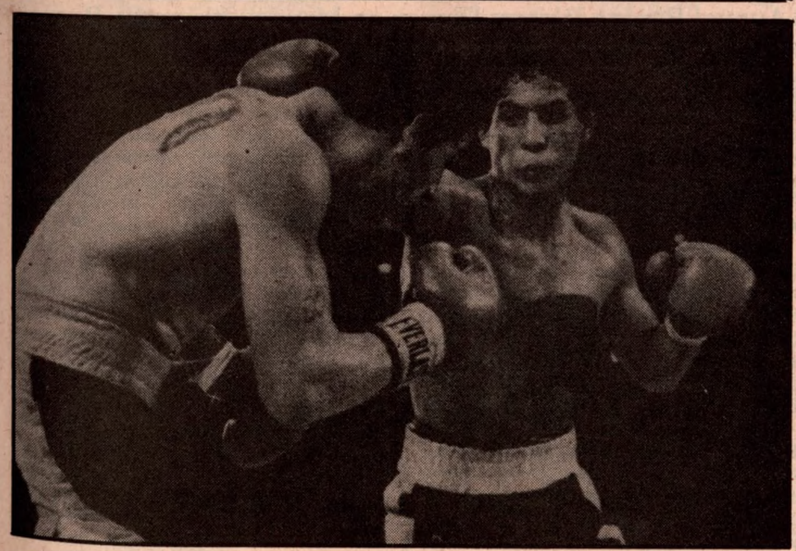

and that's a big factor. He should be able to beat Mancini, because he moves. Arguello moved a lot on Mancini and beat him; and this kid's faster than Arguello. Mancini's a lucky guy, to be where he is. He doesn't have a defense. Guys don't defend themselves today. It's a lost art . . ."

JOHNNY BOS, Matchmaker—"Sensational!

RON KATZ, Matchmaker—"Unbeatable!"

TONY DANZA, Actor—"He's got all the tools to be a champion. I think he'd give Ray Mancini a tough fight."

AHMED BEY, California Promoter—"Camacho deserves all the superlatives one can give him. Roger Mayweather will be his only stumbling block. I think is a replica of a young Bobby Chacon."

MICKEY DAVIES, California Promoter—"The kid is dynamite . . . a left-handed Willie Pep!"

PAT O'GRADY, Promoter—"He's the best thing to come out of New York in years. I know he can throw a punch. Can he take it?"

ALAN MALAMUD, L.A. Herald-Examiner Sports Editor—"I'm impressed with Camacho. He's quick and tough . . . seems to know all the tricks. He looks as if he can do it all. The only thing that hasn't been tested is his chin."

BOB WATERS, President of the Boxing Writers Association: "The kid's electric. He has to win because he *must* win. He has to meet someone who can bust him up and intimidate him. And if he can't meet that certain somebody, he has to go all the way . . ."

BUTCH LEWIS, promoter: "One of the best fighters, pound-for-pound, in a long while. He's a real attraction and he'll be a superstar."

Preceding page: Camacho evades a right hand from Greg Coverson. Hector floored the world-ranked Michigan lightweight and won on points. Bottom: Macho at his most explosive. In the ropes is Louis Loy . . . Far left: Despite landing frequently, Camacho couldn't stop Melvin Paul; Left: Early action in the Loy fight; Above: Overview captures it all after Camacho knocked out John Montes with one punch.

NORRIS J. KLESMAN

MONZON, FOSTER VOTED INTO BOXING HALL OF FAME BY WRITERS: OLD—TIMERS ELECT BURLEY

THE BOXING WRITERS ASSOCIATION, in conjunction with THE RING Magazine, have elected three former greats to join boxing's "elite" in The Boxing Hall of Fame for 1983—Charley Burley, Bob Foster and Carlos Monzon—bringing the total to 159 enshrined in boxing's pantheon. ¶ Conducting the balloting for the first time in Hall of Fame history, the Boxing Writers established a rigid set of criteria for the election of any former great by members of the Association: That they must be retired for at least five years, have fought during the previous twenty-five and receive at least mention on at least three-quarters of all ballots cast. Two former greats, former Middleweight Champion Carlos Monzon and former Light Heavyweight Champion Bobby Foster qualified for The Hall of Fame by garnering the necessary three-quarters vote. ¶ The Old-Timers committee elected one new member, former great Charley Burley, once called "Too good for his own good." ¶ The three were inducted at the 58th Annual Boxing Writers Dinner on March 12th at the Roosevelt Hotel in New York City.

CHARLEY BURLEY

Pittsburgh in the 1930s was a hotbed of developing young fistic talent—Jackie Wilson, Teddy Yarosz, Tony Marino, and the Zivics, to name just a few. None, however, came close to a man named Charley Burley.

Burley was a welterweight when he started making headway in the fistic scene in 1937-38. In only his ninth pro fight—and his first 10-round contest—Charley locked horns with future world's welterweight king Fritzie Zivic, a tough cookie who knew every trick in the book. And a great many more that weren't.

Zivic won that one, but a rematch, held a little more than four months later, saw Charley reverse the verdict. By the end of '38, the 21-year-old Burley was 13-2 as a professional—defeating seasoned veterans like Cocoa Kid and six-foot middleweight Billy Soose in the bargain.

Charley was the wrong man at the wrong time. He was good, he was black, and his style, though professional and thorough, wasn't exactly flashy or crowd pleasing. He was a *professional*—a man who could do everything.

Burley could box and he could punch. Archie Moore, whom Charley drubbed over 10 rounds in Hollywood back in 1944, called him the best fighter he ever fought. He was also the best fighter Archie's trainer, Hiawatha Gray, said he had ever seen. (Hiawatha Gray, incidentally, went back to the days of Langford, Gans and Johnson.)

Zivic and his manager, Luke Carney, bought Burley's contract, thus insuring that Fritzie would never have to tangle with Charley again. Not many other fighters wanted Burley, either. Johnny Ray, the manager of Billy Conn, wanted no part of Burley for his charge, though he hand no compunction about matching Billy with such toughs as Krieger, Apostoli, Risko, Ralph Chong, and Ralph Gizzy. By 1939, his third year as a pro, the too-good-for-his-own-sake Burley was tangling with light heavyweights like Holman Williams. Charley was, at that time, still a welterweight.

Burley was campaigning as a middleweight in 1942, a year that saw him tackle J.D. Turner, a 205-pound heavyweight, in Minneapolis. A beautiful straight right hand in the sixth round stretched out J.D. for the full count, but even that feat failed to gain Charley a title shot.

Charley Burley was the last of that long vanished breed of fighters who could give away substantial weight and still emerge victorious against good men. He retired from the game in 1950 with an overall pro log of 74-12-2 with one "no contest". Most of the losses were to men, like Holman Williams, with substantial advantages in size. (That did not, however,

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MIDDLEWEIGHT CARLOS MONZON
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prevent Charley from kayoing Williams in one of their meetings!)

Burley, who was never stopped—or even floored—in the pro ranks, is more than deserving of the Boxing Hall of Fame. It can be said with all sincerity that his enshrinement gives the Hall more prestige than it has ever known before. Burley was a man his peers admired—a real "fighter's fighter".

CARLOS MONZON

Among his many accomplishments, Carlos Monzon achieved one feat very few middleweight champions have ever accomplished—he went out on top, he went out a winner.

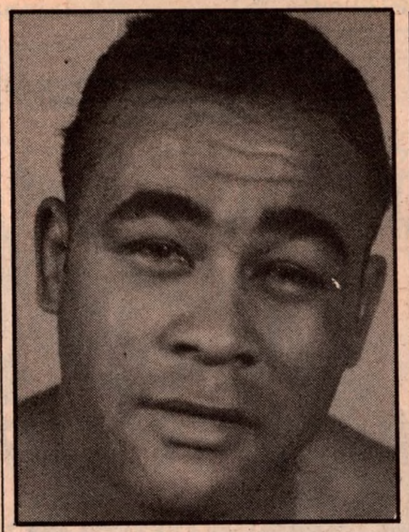
In a 15-year professional career, Monzon fought his way to one of the most sparkling records the sport has ever seen. However, ask someone who he believes the greatest middleweight of all time was. He'll tell you Sugar Ray Robinson. Or Stanley Ketchel. Or Harry Greb. Or Mickey Walker. Occasionally, Carlos Monzon's name will come up. Only occasionally. Yet he may well have been one of the greatest, most gifted 160-pounders ever to set foot into a ring.

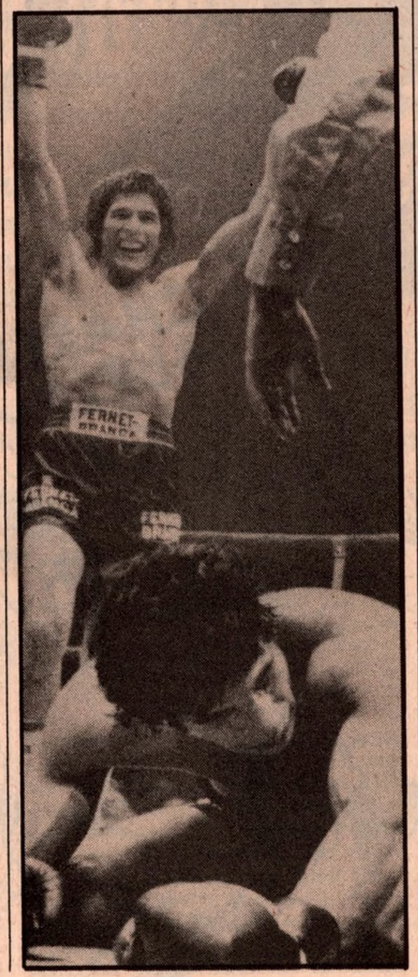
Had Monzon's fistic history unfolded, been nurtured and developed in the United States, he would quite possibly be considered history's premier middleweight, bar none. He might have become more popular than Muhammad Ali. The fights he won in Buenos Aires, Santa Fe, Parana, Rafaela, Reconquista and Tostado could just as well have been New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Houston, San Antonio, Miami and Las Vegas. Instead of being matched against such men as Albino Vera, Andres Ceja, Angel Coria and Francisco Olea in the mid '60s, his opponents—and perhaps victims—may have been such American starts as Holley Mims, George Benton, Stanley "Kitten" Hayward, Luis Rodriguez, Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, Rocky Rivero and Florentino Fernandez.

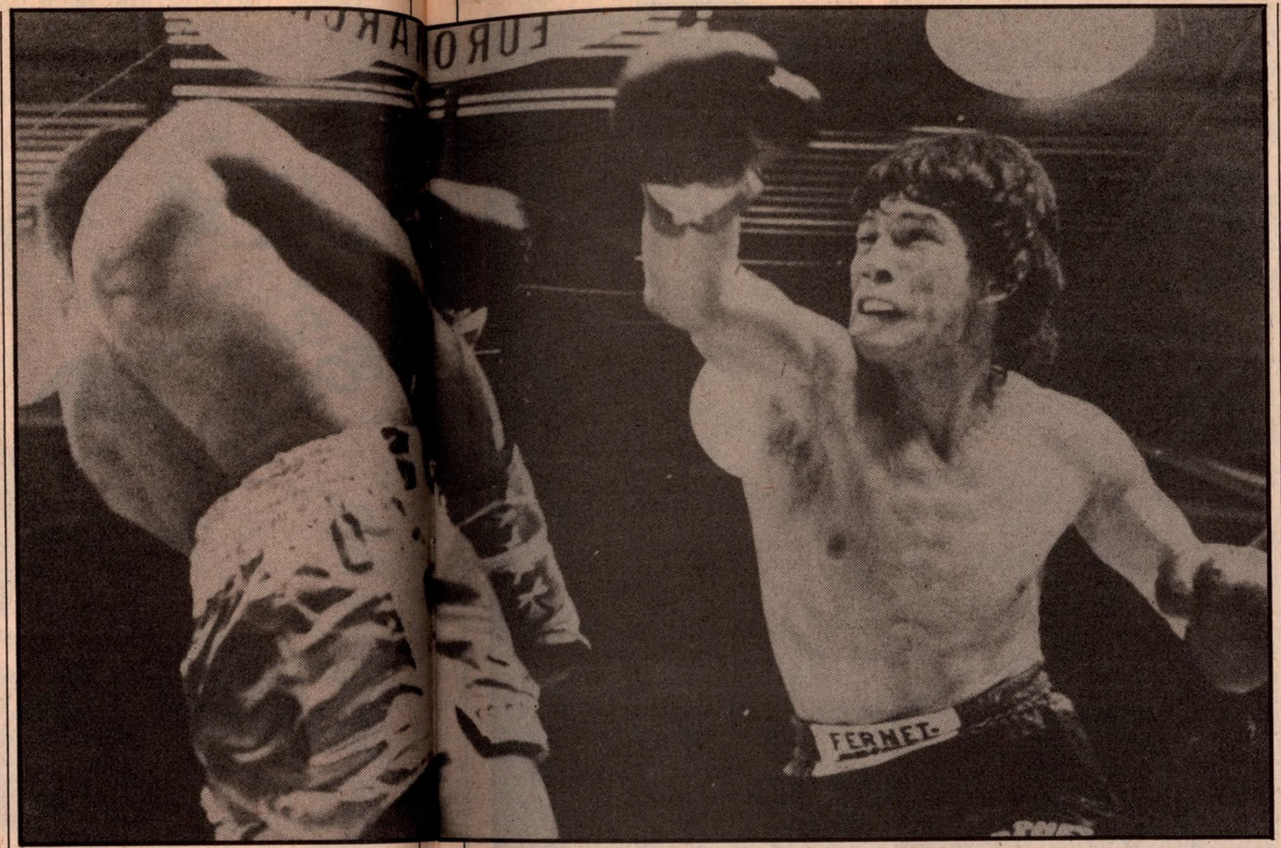
Though *THE RING RECORD BOOK* lists Monzon's height as 5′ 11″, to opponents he looked—and fought—much taller. While plying his trade, Monzon was a master. There was nothing he could not do. No situation fazed or flustered him.

During a fight, Monzon wasted little energy. His tall, stand-up style made him appear to be an easy target to hit. His ruggedly handsome and virtually unmarked face told another story, however, when Monzon retired shortly after his 35th birthday in 1977.

To Monzon—and—to those who followed his incredible career—October 9, 1964, is a landmark date in his boxing career. On that night, he lost a 10-round decision to Alberto Massi (whom he went on to kayo in 1966 and decision in 1967). The loss to Massi was Monzon's third loss by a decision in 14 months. He would not lose again in his next 80 fights, spanning almost 13 years. Monzon reversed his eight-round decision loss to Antonio Aguilar in 1963 by thoroughly outpointing him two years later. Monzon also fought to nine draws and one no contest during his magnificent career. He beat all but one of those men in rematches.





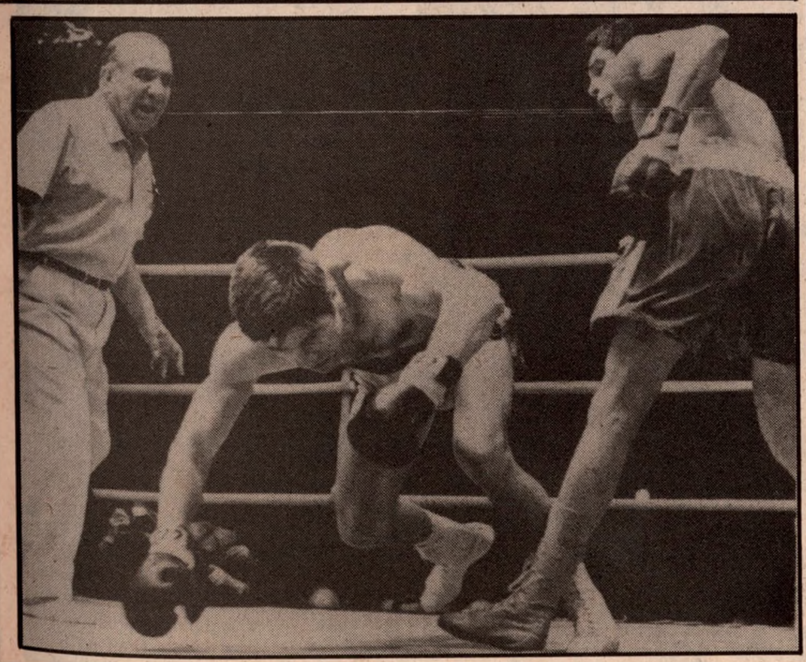


Monzon won the title on November 7, 1970, stopping Nino Benvenuti in the 12th round. During the next six years, eight months, Monzon defended the crown a record of 14 times.

Stripped of the title by the WBC in 1974, Monzon was forced to share title recognition with WBC kingpin Rodrigo Valdez until June 26, 1976, when he thoroughly outboxed and outclassed Valdez over 15 rounds. He repeated his performance against Valdez 13 months later, then announced his retirement. He was still in possesion of all his skills—the hard jab, the short hook, the big right hand. He was still apparently unbeatable. Yet, when he walked away from boxing in 1977, he walked away forever.

His 89-3-9-1 record (61 KO's) is filled with victories over the best fighters of his day. The better the opponent, the better he fought. He beat Benvenuti, Valdez and Emile Griffith twice. Bennie Briscoe, Tony Licata, Gratien Tonna, Tony Mundine and Denny Moyer were just a few of the world class fighters King Carlos almost effortlessly and methodically defeated.

It comes as no surprise that Carlos Monzon was elected into The Boxing Hall of Fame in his first year of elegibility.



Charley Burley, when he was called the "world's best middleweight" (though not the champion) (top left); Clockwise from above: three views of Carlos Monzon at his best: Hammering Rodrigo Valdez, knocking out Nino Benvenuti and kayoing Gratien Tonna. Carlos led in the Boxing Writers' voting.

BOB FOSTER

There is this mental picture of Dick Tiger lying stretched in the center of the Madison Square Garden ring, only seconds remaining in his championship reign, rendered unconscious by one of the most powerful blows ever delivered in a title fight, and his conqueror leaping skyward, arms extended.

When Bob Foster became the first—and last—man to knock out the great Tiger on May 24, 1968, it was the start of one of the longest, most successful title reigns in history. Foster never lost the crown; he gave it up six years and four months after winning it.

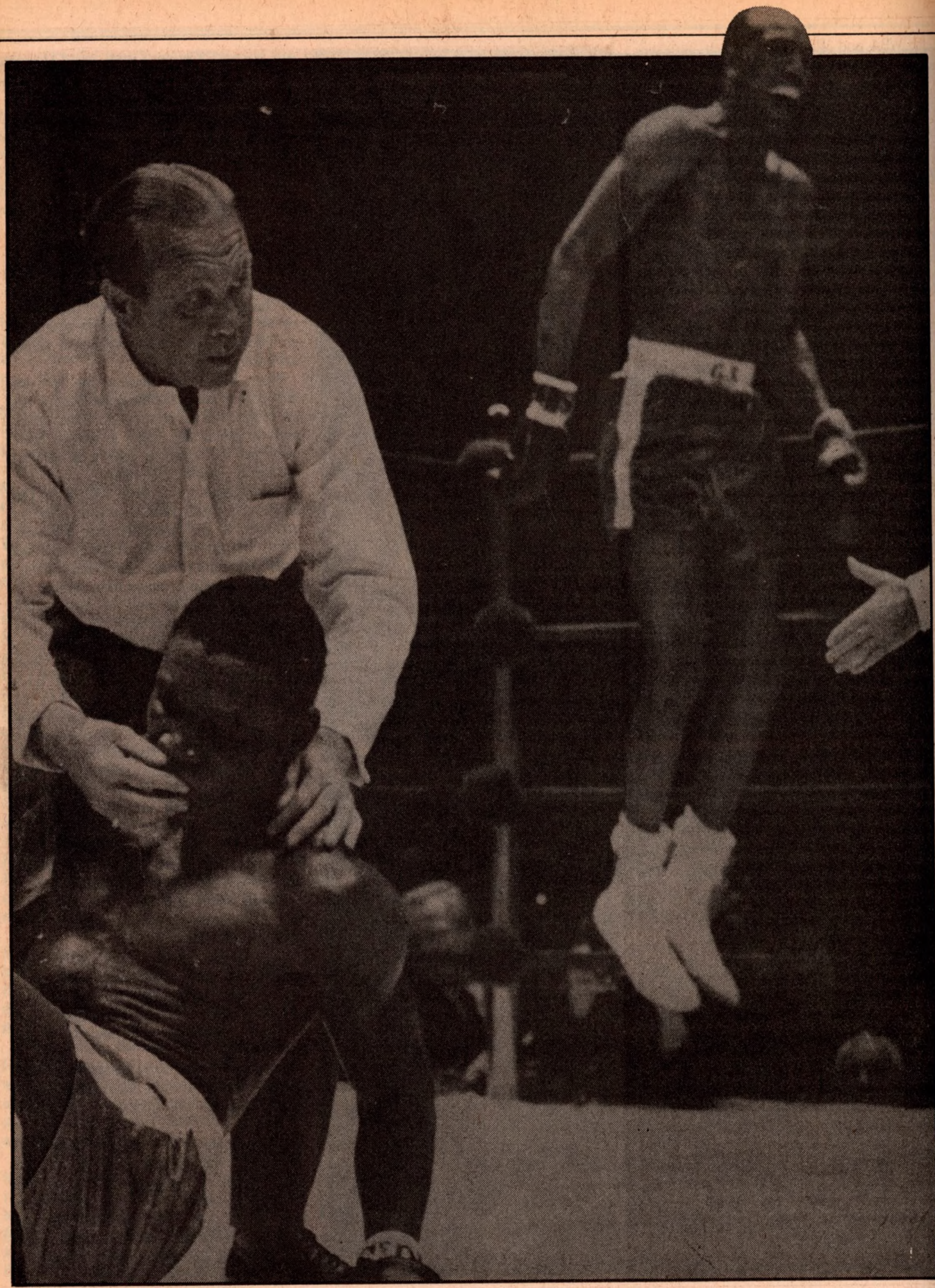
Foster began his career in 1961. Even then he showed the incredible potential that was packaged in his incredibly thin, 170-pound frame. Big dreams were housed inside that slight frame, and Foster began to take on—and beat—heavyweights, almost from the start.

When he was 9-0—and still two months away from his 24th birthday—Foster was matched against heavyweight contender Doug Jones, on a scant two-days' notice. Jones knocked him out in the eighth round. When Foster lost, it was only to the best of the big men. Mauro Mina. Ernie Terrell. Zora Folley. Joe Frazier. Muhammad Ali. Otherwise, there waas nobody around who could beat Foster.

After his title-winning victory against Tiger, Foster kayoed 11 men in a row before moving to challenge Frazier for the heavyweight crown. When that attempt failed in the second round, Foster resumed overwhelming any light heavyweight placed in front of him. Included was a one-punch, left-hook knockout of previously undefeated Mike Quarry that was one of the most spectacular and dramatic knockouts ever seen.

In November, 1972, Foster once again couldn't resist the temptation and challenged a heavyweight. This time the man he challenged was Muhammad Ali. Foster fell in round eight despite becoming the only man to cut the legendary Ali.

Foster made three more defenses, the final one on June 17, 1974, a draw against tough Jorge Ahumada. With pressure on him from

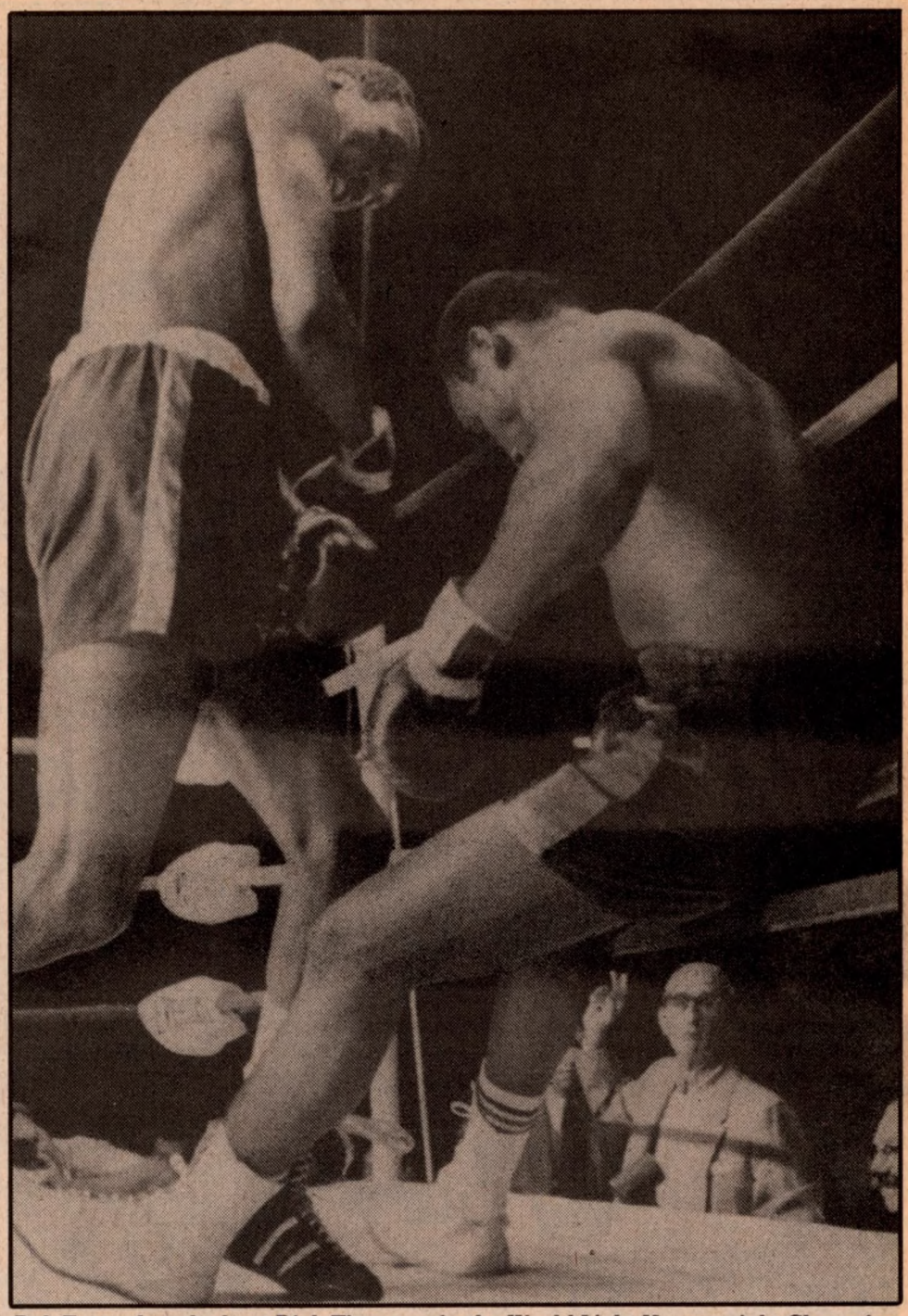


the WBA and WBC to fight their particular number one contender of the hour, Foster retired.

As many fighters—even great ones—invariably do, Foster came back nine months later. He fought on for the next three years. After two embarassing losses in 1978, Foster hung up his gloves. For good.

Though the RING RECORD BOOK will always list Foster as having lost his last two fights, the boxing community will tend to ignore them when they view his illustrious career.

To those who know, care, love and respect the man, they realize Foster's 56 victories, his 46 knockouts, his .708 knockout percentage, his record number of title defenses (14), his awesome power on his masterful boxing ability are more than enough to gain him entry into Boxing's Hall of Fame in this, his first year of elegibility.



Bob Foster knocked out Dick Tiger to win the World Light Heavyweight Championship (left) and knocked out Vicente Rondon to regain the WBA title after he had been stripped of it (above). For six years Foster reigned supreme as the greatest light heavyweight in the world.

HALL OF FAME TABULATED BALLOTS (54 BALLOTS)

Carlos Monzon	*46*
Bob Foster	*41*
Jose Napoles	*34*
Carlos Ortiz	*31*
Eder Jofre	*25*
Nino Benvenuti	*23*
Salvador Sanchez	*20*
Joe Brown	*18*
Harold Johnson	*18*
George Foreman	*17*
Joey Giardello	*17*
Willie Pastrano	*12*
Jose Torres	*12*
Laszlo Papp	*10*
Ingemar Johannson	*10*
Sonny Liston	*9*
Vicente Saldivar	*8*
Fighting Harada	*8*
Bobo Olson	*8*
Billy Graham	*7*
Luis Rodriguez	*7*
Davey Moore	*6*
Pong Kingpetch	*5*
Nino Valdez	*5*
Flash Elorde	*4*
Hogan "Kid" Bassey	*3*
Jimmy Ellis	*3*
Chico Vejar	*3*
Jose Becerra	*2*
Oscar Bonavena	*2*
Salvatore Burruni	*2*
Yvon Durelle	*2*
Tyrone Everette	*2*
Duilio Lio	*2*
Randolph Turpin	*2*
Horacio Accavallo	*1*
Joey Archer	*1*
Chic Calderwood	*1*
Chartchai Choinio	*1*
George Chuvalo	*1*
Terry Downes	*1*
Zora Folley	*1*
Don Fullmer	*1*
Manuel Gonzalez	*1*
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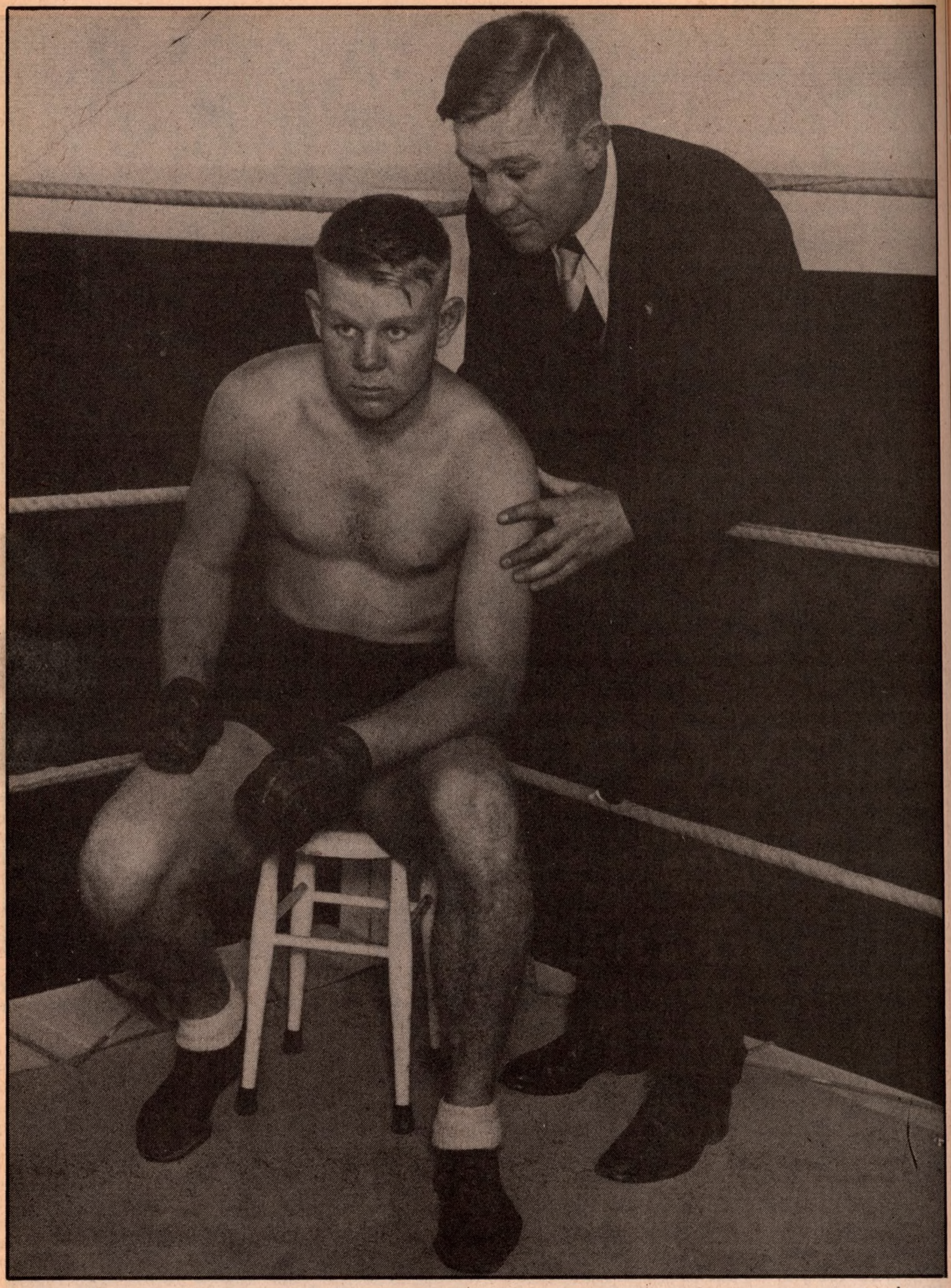


BOXING'S SECOND GENERATION SHOWS:

THE SONS ALSO RISE

DO THE SONS OF FAMOUS prizefighters have a better chance of success in the ring than fighters with less illustrious parentage? Although no scientific studies are available on the subject we can, however, look back into the ghost of boxing past and come up with some relevant clues. ¶ It seems that up to now the sons of famous fighters who have decided to follow in their father's footsteps—or should one say footwork—have met with less than rousing success. For example, Bob Fitzsimmons Jr., and Billy Papke Jr. were both sons of legendary ring greats. Yet, at best, they were fighters of average skills whose own professional careers fell flat.

BY MICHAEL SILVER

OF COURSE, THE FACT THAT BOTH MEN were active during boxing's halcyon days of the 1920s and '30s when scores of outstanding pros abounded didn't help matters much.

Ten years ago the son of another legend took up the cudgels and came away with similar results. Marcel Cerdan Jr., scion of France's greatest sports hero, was brought across the seas to box in Madison Square Garden. Marcel Jr. came to New York with high hopes; he left with a one-way ticket back to Paris.

More recently Marvis Frazier, son of ex-heavyweight champion Joe Frazier, tried to follow his father's lead with something less than unqualified success. He was cold-cocked in his last amateur fight and since turning pro has run into more medical problems than can be found in Grey's Medical Dictionary. Last year an eye injury and a bout with viral hepatitis kept him on the shelf for close to 17 months. The year before, it was a pinched nerve.

The truth of the matter is that so many variables go into the making of an outstanding prizefighter that just being the son of a world champion, or superior contender, is simply not enough to insure success.

Actually, very few offspring of boxers, famous or otherwise, have followed their fathers into the squared circle. Most ex-fighters, knowing all too well the sacrifices, danger, and pitfalls of their brutal trade have tried to discourage their sons from entering the profession. The few that do decide to continue the tradition—(in spite of their father's protests)—usually do so out of a genuine love for the sport. One example of love conquering all is Ray (Boom Boom) Mancini. Perhaps so because Ray is practically a clone of his old man. He has the same fighting instincts, rugged physique, speed, strength and guts. The one thing he doesn't have—and it has less to do with heredity than the way boxing is structured today—is the invaluable experience that his father was able to acquire during the 1930s and early '40s. Lenny (Boom Boom) Mancini had 46 fights before he attained his ranking as the #1 contender. Ray Mancini fought for a world title after having a mere 20 professional fights. His glaring lack of defensive technique is a by-product of this limited experience. Nevertheless, Ray Mancini, son of Lenny, had all the experience necessary to win a title in 1982.

Ray Mancini's accomplishment no doubt has been an inspiration to five young fighters who have something in common with the WBA lightweight champion. They are, like Ray, the sons of formerly successful fighters. All five men have turned pro within the past 18 months. It is still too early in their fledgling careers to know if they will finally be able to know on their own, and not just as "the son of . . ."

BILLY COLLINS JR.

If Billy Collins Sr. were fightting today he might very well be the welterweight champion of the world. But, then again, so would about a score of other fighters who came up the hard way during the 1950s and early '60s. Unfortunately for Billy, there were other welters in his era names Stitch, Moyer, Dupas, Rodriguez and Griffith—plus a few others—who were just a bit too good for the Nashville, Tennessee boxer. If you were able to get past the dead-game Collins you had a good shot at busting the top ten. Not many got past him. Dyed-in-the-wool

New York boxing fans a little long in the tooth may remember Billy Collins' Madison Square Garden debut back in 1960. In that bout Collins came off the floor twice in the first round to flatten New York's highly-touted Bobby Bartels in the 5th round of an exciting slugfest. In subsequent appearances he starched club fighters Tony Fortunato and Baltimore's Joe Salci in Garden semi-finals.

The 5' 11"-welter used his height to good advantage. Coming in behind a solid left jab he would both wear down the opposition and, at the same time, create openings for his hard right crosses and left hooks.

In 1965 Billy lost a 12-round elimination bout to future champion Curtis Cokes. You *had* to be damn good to beat Billy Collins. What a shame that Billy's not inconsiderable talents never quite measured up to his champion's heart.

Billy Collins Jr., 20-year-old son of the ex-welterweight contender, hopes to pick up where his father left off—same weight, same division. Billy Jr. just may go all the way, providing, of course, he is a genuine chip off the old block.

He does have the same lanky build, clean-cut good looks, and his father's gutsy approach to the game. What he lacks, at this point in time, is his father's stiff punch and physical strength.

Young Collins' style is similar to the way his father used to fight, which is no coincidence since Billy Sr. doubles as his trainer. But if Billy is to indeed follow in his father's footsteps he must tighten up his defense and improve his footwork. And, hopefully, he will never have to prove he inherited his old man's granite chin.

With a dozen victories to his credit, including nine by KO, the undefeated youngster is already fighting 10-round main events. Alas, that is the way of the fight game today; babes thrown into 10 rounders at the earliest possible moment. Well, at least, Billy Jr. has Billy Sr. to look after him. And that, my friends, means a lot in this rough game.

ROBERT FOLLEY

The late Zora Folley was *the* perennial heavyweight contender of the late 1950s and early '60s. The classy Arizona gentleman was a rare breed: A heavyweight who excelled in the finer points of the game. So precise and effortless were his picture-book moves that a young and receptive fighter could learn to box just by watching Zora Folley on any of his numerous TV appearances.

Like all accomplished boxers Folley's main weapon was the left jab. The powerful right was held in reserve and only launched when Zora was sure it would hit its intended target. His cautious counterpunching technique and seldom breached defense helped to preserve his striking good looks through some 70-odd fights. It is unfortunate that he is best remembered for being KO'd by Muhammad Ali when Folley was 35 years old and well past his peak.

Robert Hart Folley, the 23-year-old son of Zora, has only recently embarked on his own professional career. At 175 lbs. Robert is about 20 pounds lighter than Zora was in his prime. But he possesses the same distinctive face as his dad—if not his numerous talents.

Since turning pro in 1982, Robert has gotten off to a good start winning 4 bouts (3 by KO) while suffering one loss by split decision.

Comparisons with his dad are inevitable, but totally unfair at this stage. Young Folley is a fistic neophyte with much to learn. But if he wants to achieve the kind of professionalism that was the hallmark of his dad's career he will have to work harder than most of his contemporaries. And if he becomes just half the fighter his dad was, well then the light heavyweights of the late '80s are in for a great deal of trouble.

"BATTLING" TORRES JR.

During the late 1950s Mexican boxing fans experienced an explosion of young talent the likes of which had never been seen South of the Border. Jose Becerra, Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno, Mauro Vasquez, Joe Medel, Alfredo Urbina and Raymundo "Battling" Torres were the brightest of the bright stars coming out of Mexico.

In 1959, at the tender age of 18, hard-punching "Battling" Torres of Reynosa, Mexico, looked ready to surpass them all. The handsome KO artist was undefeated in 29 fights and had flattened 23 opponents. Wherever and whenever he fought—in Los Angeles' famed Olympic Auditorium or in the bullrings of Mexico City or Tijuana—the arenas were always sold out. His rabid Mexican fans just couldn't get enough of him.

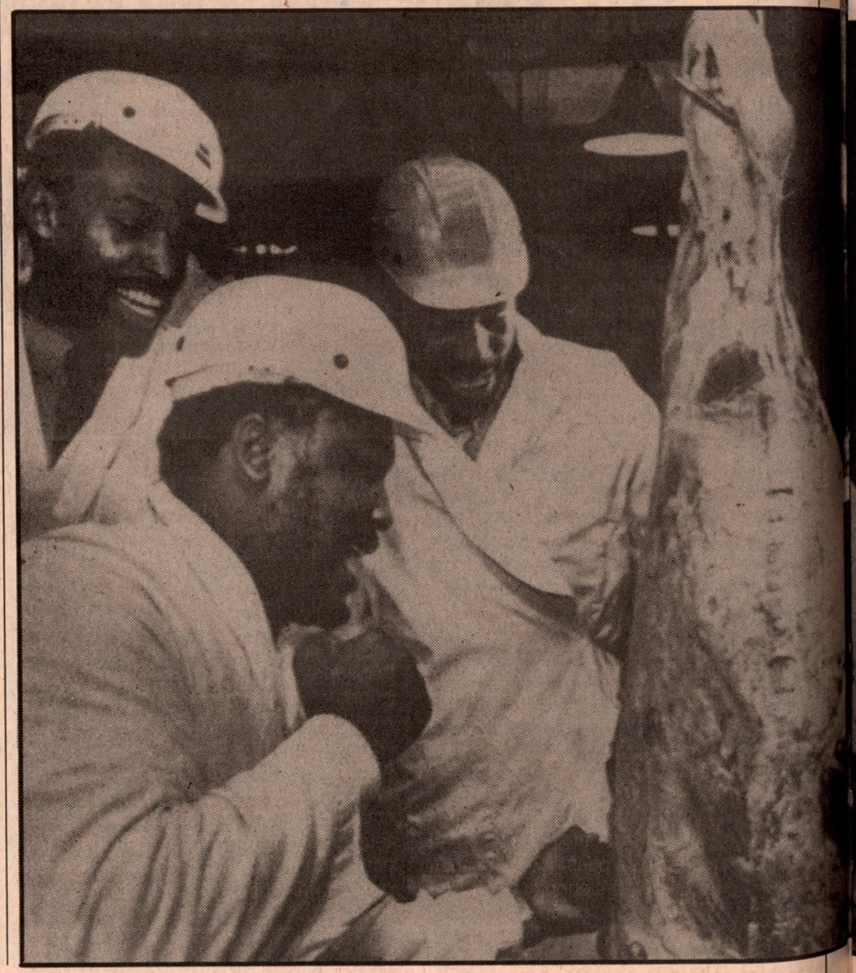
It was all too much too soon for "Battling" Torres. Rushed into a junior welterweight title fight against Puerto Rico's talented Carlos Ortiz, Raymundo gave it his Mexican best. But experience, class, and superior boxing won out over youthful enthusiasm, guts and aggression. "Battling" Torres took a frightful beating. In a gruelling, punishing contest, Ortiz simply picked Torres apart, finally knocking out his game opponent in the 10th round. Raymundo was never the same again. In his only other chance at a title, in 1963, he was knocked out in one round by Roberto Cruz.

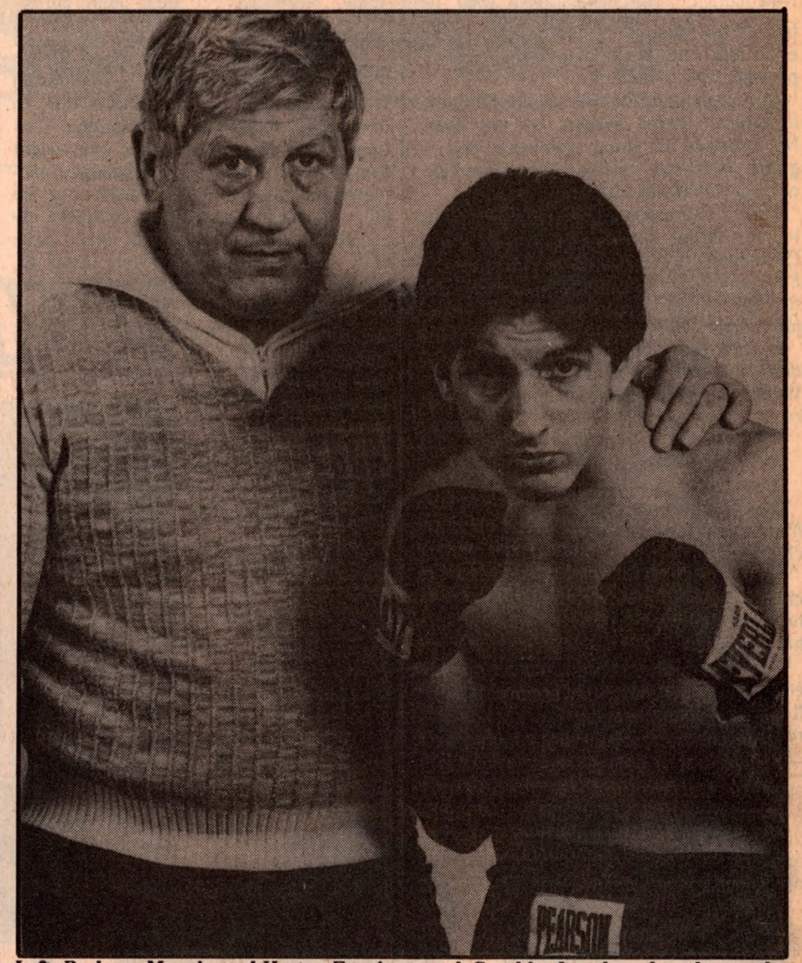
Several months prior to his loss to Cruz, American fight fans who had never seen Torres in action got a look at his exciting style. In his only nationally televised appearance, he was matched against welterweight Billy Collins, the same Billy Collins whose son is now a professional.

Torres proved to be an aggressive, pressure-type of fighter who constantly threw punches and never took a backwards step. He would slip under Collins' long arms and come up with a variety of solid punches to his opponent's head and body. It was hard-fought and close all the way, but Torres still had enough of the old fire to edge out his taller opponent in ten fast rounds. Raymundo was really a diamond in the rough—sort of an unpolished Roberto Duran.

And now, some 20 years later, another "Battling" Torres has come into the center ring.

Raymundo "Battling" Torres Jr. was born on December 29, 1962. He was 16 years old when his father was shot to death during a street altercation in Reynosa.





Left: Rodney, Marvis and Hector Frazier watch Smokin Joe show how* he *used to train: Above: Joey Giardello, Sr. and Jr.; Below: Battling Torres, Jr.

The twenty-year-old welterweight has inherited his father's fine Latin features and even has the same aggressive, crowd-pleasing style of fighting.

Not surprisingly, he won his first 12 bouts in typical Torres fashion: by knockout. Nevertheless, the young man has a ways to go before his fists command the same kind of respect that was his father's.

Torres' impressive knockout streak came to an abrupt and surprising end last December. He was stopped, on cuts, in the 8th round by Eric Martin, in the semi-final to the Bobby Chacon-Bazooka Limon junior lightweight title fight.

It was a disappointing loss. But remember this is a Torres and fighting is in his blood. We haven't heard the last of "Battling" Torres Jr.

JOEY GIARDELLO JR.

Joey Giardello Jr. is the only one of our five fighting sons whose father held a world championship.

Joey Giardello Sr., former middleweight champion of the world (1963 to 1965) was born to fight. Whether his son was also born to fight remains to be seen.

Twenty-year-old Joey Giardello Jr. turned pro on January 27, 1983, after winning five of his six amateur fights with first round knockouts. Young Giardello didn't do too badly in his pro debut either, knocking out his opponent in the third round.

Although young Joey is about 30 lbs. lighter than his father's championship weight, he could do a lot worse than to develop his father's style of fighting. That may sound strange—a junior lightweight using the same style as a full-fledged middleweight-cum-light heavyweight—but the elder Giardello was such a complete all-around pro that a lightweight would have been comfortable with his style. After all, you didn't hold your own against guys named Giambra, Tiger, Graham, Castellani and Mims without knowing a helluva lot about the sweet science.

It may be a lot to expect of the young man to live up to his father's level of proficiency, but if the son has inherited the father's great natural talent then he is halfway there. The rest, as Joey Jr. is sure to find out, is what separates the men from the boys, if not the sons.

FRANK DUPREE

During the '60s a popular expression came into vogue. If one earned his position by coming up through the ranks the hard way he was said to have "paid his dues." Jimmy Dupree, former light heavyweight contender, "paid his dues." And then some. Through 13 tough years of fighting—which included some 56 fights—Jimmy met the boxers and punchers, contenders and club fighters. His strength, excellent reflexes, and a hard right-hand punch were his calling cards. 1970, his best year, saw him rated among the top three light heavys.

Jimmy's one opportunity for a title ended in defeat. In 1971, in a fight for the WBA light heavyweight title, he was beaten by Vicente Rondon in the latter's hometown of Caracas, Venezuela.

After he retired from active duty in the ring Jimmy opened a gym in Jersey City. One of the best prospects to come out of that gym is Jimmy's own 23-year-old son, Frank. After compiling a 32-4 amateur record, Frank has taken the plunge into the pro ranks. At 6' 3" and 180 lbs., he is an elongated version of his 5' 10", 175 lb. father.

Frank is still wet behind the ears, but he was successful in his professional debut last December, and exhibiting a fine left jab and jolting right uppercut.

In any case, Frank Dupree has got something very important going for him: The lessons to be learned from all that experience and expertise his dad accumulated while "paying his dues."

In the months—and years—to come, we will be watching to see whether the sons also rise to the prominence of their "old men."

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RINGSIDE REPORTS

FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

WILFORD SCYPION IS 160 POUNDS OF ENIGMA. ON some days, he's the best middleweight contender in the world—a smart, cunning fighter capable of giving even Marvelous Marvin Hagler a rough battle. On other days, he boxes as if his body came to the arena but his mind had stayed home. The brilliant Scypion had been seen on national television outpointing Curtis Parker. Scypion the zombie had been seen losing to Mustafa Hamsho, Dwight Davison and James Green. Only the brilliant multi-talented Scypion could have beaten the red-hot Frank "The Animal" Fletcher. Sure enough, that's the Scypion who appeared before a national television audience, outhustling, outpunching and outboxing the number one middleweight contender over 12 rounds. In winning, Scypion not only put himself in line for a world title shot, but became RING's number one contender and its "Fighter of the Month," as well.

SCYPION-FLETCHER
USBA Middleweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—In what promoter Russell Peltz prophetically called "The biggest second-guess fight of the year," Wilford Scypion muscled his way to a unanimous 12-round decision over Frank Fletcher, depriving him of not only the USBA belt, but a sure shot at Marvelous Marvin Hagler's world title. While others have tried in vain to run away or slug it out with Fletcher, Scypion completely shut down The Animal's normally withering offense by repeatedly mauling him into the ropes, nullifying Frank's aggression with constant clinching and pushing. It may not have been the most artistic approach, but it worked to perfection. The fight wasn't even close.

Why did Fletcher tackle such a dangerous assignment with a Hagler fight waiting in the wings? The handsome purse provided by NBC-TV was only part of the answer. Frank has a tendency to get himself into trouble on the streets when not in training. There have been two such incidents since he stopped James Green in his last outing. His management felt that, rather than going stale (or maybe even to jail), a meaningful match was advisable. It was a gamble, and as it turned out, a losing one.

Scypion, on the other hand, had everything to gain and nothing to lose. He has been hanging around the bottom-half of the top ten for several years without really going anywhere. The fine win over Fletcher has propeled him into the thick of the middleweight title picture and a spring showdown with Hagler is very probable.

From the first round, it was obvious that Scypion had come to fight. He was certainly not impressed with Fletcher's awesome reputation, and caught Frank early with a hard right that rocked the Philadelphian into the ropes. It was a position that Fletcher was to find himself in often as the afternoon progressed.

The pattern of the fight soon emerged and seldom varied. Fletcher would bolt from his corner bent on total destruction. He would manage to land a few punches and then Scypion would tie him up and wrestle him into the ropes.

Once he had Frank where he wanted him (trapped along the ropes), Wilford would place his arm across the back of his opponent's neck and lean forward with strength-sapping effect. Between his clutching and shoving, the Texan broke loose and nailed Fletcher with an occasional left hook or right uppercut.

The fight had relatively few highlights. Each round evolved much as the preceeding one. Try as he might, Fletcher just couldn't get anything started. Scypion dominated the fight with his roughhouse tactics and never relinquished control. While he may not have tamed the "Animal," he surely put him on a leash.

Both men bled from the mouth and Fletcher suffered his customary eye cut. This time, Frank waited until the ninth before springing a leak over his left eye, and, although his corner never stemmed the tide, the wound was not a major factor in the outcome.

The partisan crowd at the Sands Hotel Casino tried to lift Fletcher's spirts with the "Animal" chant as the combatants swung into the stretch drive. Frank was still full of pep, but Scypion met every charge with hard counters and an ever-waiting embrace. At the sound of the final bell, Wilford lept into the air and bounced across the ring like a pogo stick gone beserk, finally

collapsing in a heap of joy.

The scoring, all in favor of Scypion, was as follows: judge Harold Lederman, 8-3-1; judge Tommy Kaczmarek, 7-4-1; judge Frank Brunette, 6-5-1. The loss dropped Fletcher, 159½, to 16-3-1 with 11 kayoes, while Scypion, 159¾, pushed his log to 26-3 with 20 kayoes.

"I knew I could outbox him any day," claimed the happy winner. "I just went in there to test him and see what kind of strength he had. See what kind of shape he was in. I thank God that I was in the best condition I've ever been in. All the people were looking over me, talking about Fletcher, Fletcher, Fletcher. Now it's time to give Wilford Scypion some respect."

Although a Hagler fight seems in the offing, Scypion also has an old score with Mustafa Hamsho he's eager to settle.

"I would love Hamsho any day—on the streets or in the ring. I want him and one day I'm gonna get him, even if I have to go through Hagler to get him."

Wilford's co-manager, Mike Jones, would prefer to fight for the championship first and leave personal revenge for a later date.

"He (Scypion) doesn't need any tune-up for Hagler. He's at his peak now. He just beat the second toughest middleweight in the world, until today, in *Eddie* (how soon they forget) "The Animal" Fletcher. So he's definitely ready for Hagler."

Fletcher took his loss with grace, but the same cannot be said for some members of his family. His mother, Lucille, stormed into the ring after the reading of the official scorecards and tried to get at the judges. Then she disrupted the post-fight press conference with a classic "We wuz robbed" protest. Things threatened to degenerate into a full-scale brawl when a female Scypion fan claimed that she was punched by an unidentified member of the Fletcher clan. It was left to the Animal to restore a modicum of dignity to the proceedings.

"I'm a great champ when I win, and I'm a great champ when I lose." said Frank. "I'm not mad. I don't really see why everybody else is mad. I think it was bad (the decision), but then again, it might have been good. All I know is that referee Zack Clayton wasn't letting me fight my fight. Scypion was leaning on my neck and holding me. Every time I'd go to push him off, Zack Clayton would tell me, 'No pushing.' Maybe one day, me and him (Scypion) will fight again and it will be different. I'm sorry I let everybody down, but it's that way sometime."

In a scheduled 10, Gary Hinton, 138, Phila., kayoed fellow southpaw Jose Renta, 139½, Puerto Rico, in 1:30 of the second. Referee, Clayton.

Undefeated Bobby Johnson, 134¾, Easton, Pa., ran his streak to 16-0 with seven kayoes, scoring a unanimous decision over mismatched Carlos Amaya, 136, Santiago, Chile, 10. Joe Cortez, referee.

In the prelims, Tom McGuire, 193, Phila., TKO'd Larry Jefferson, 183¼, Phila., at 1:22 of the third in a scheduled six. Ken Carpenter, 126½, Upper Darby, Pa., scored a split decision over Alphonso Mitchell, 129, Phila., six. Ricardo Peterson, 210, Phila., drew with Ricardo Williams, 198, Kennett Square, Pa., four. Cortez refereed Carpenter-Mitchell and Peterson-Williams, while Clayton handled McGuire-Jefferson.

Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc.

Attendance—600 (est.).

(02-13-83)

NIGEL COLLINS

MAYWEATHER-SERRANO
World Junior Lightweight Title

SAN JUAN, P.R.—When world junior lightweight champion Samuel Serrano started to show signs of wear and tear, owing, in large measure, to his continous efforts to make the 130-pound weight limit, it became obvious that his days as champ were numbered. *Finis* was finally written by one Floyd Mayweather, who beat Serrano decisively and stopped him in the eight round of their title bout in Hiram Bithorn Stadium.

Floyd was in control most of the way, but he failed to come across as being the best the division. Mayweather was, in fact, staggered by the light hitting Serrano seconds before he landed the crushing right that spilled the champ flat on his back in the fatal eighth. Serrano got up at the count of eight, but his seconds wisely interceded, fearful that Venezuelan referee Isidro Rodriguez might not call a halt.

Mayweather was the aggressor throughout, showing no respect for the champ. He appeared a bit over eager at times, and failed to pace himself properly. When the halt was called, he had a comfortable lead on all of the official scorecards. Serrano, on the other hand, did not have the speed of hand or agile movements that he had used so effectively in his previous fights.

With the exception of an eight-month interregnum, Serrano had been junior lightweight champ since October 16, 1976, making 13 successful defenses. He lost the crown on a fluke kayo to Yasutsune Uehara in Detroit on August 2, 1980, but regained it by a convincing decision in Wakayama in April of the following year.

Serrano is now considering a move into the lightweight division, where he will have no weight problem. He had been contemplating such a move for quite a while, but his counselor, Pepito Cordero, told him it was better to reap the benefits of championship purses than to be an also-ran in a division powered by Alexis Arguello and Ray Mancini.

The undercard was made up of Cordero prospects against relatively mediocre opposition.

Undefeated super featherweight Victor Callejas easily kayoed Manuel Santos Vilar in 0:35 of the second round in a scheduled 10.

Former junior welterweight contender Miguel Montilla knocked out Cuban Emilio Sotomayor in 2:40 of the first round.

Highly regarded flyweight prospect Jose R. DeJesus continued his winning ways by flattening Jose R. Ortiz in 1:02 of the second.

Middleweight Jose Quinones kayoed one Al Cook in 1:58 of the second.

Miguel Sepulveda won a unanimous decision over Reyes Escalera in the eight-round walk-out middleweight bout.

Don King Promotions.

(01-09-83)

MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

MOORE-GUIDEN
WBA Junior Middleweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—WBA junior middleweight champion Davey Moore inched another step closer to the recognition he so fervently desires with a fourth round knockout over challenger Gary Guiden in a scheduled 15-rounder televised live over CBS-TV. And while the result didn't exactly astonish anybody, it was accomplished in an exciting, swashbuckling manner that should bring new fans into the Moore camp.

While most fighters pay their dues on the way up, occasionally a lucky one gets to pay his after he's already made it to the top. Moore—the latest and one of boxing's most blatant examples of instant success—has been the victim of a "too-much-too-soon" backlash. Ever since he snatched the crown from Tadashi Mihara in only his ninth pro fight, Davey has been fighting for respect as much as money. He may still be a diamond in the rough, but it would be folly to consider him anything less than the champion he is. Just ask Gary Guiden.

Moore, 23, was rearing to go the moment he climbed into the ring at Bally's Hotel Casino, anxious to silence his critics with an impressive showing. When the obligatory introductions of retired pugs and football players dragged on and on, he impatiently banged his gloves together, bouncing up and down on the balls of his feet, yelling: "Let's go. Let's go."

The book on Guiden was simple; good puncher (35 knockouts in an overall record of 39-6) with a suspect chin (three of his loses coming inside the distance). It promised to be short and action packed. And that's pretty much the way things developed.

There was a brief delay when Moore answered the first bell without his mouthpiece and then hostilities began in earnest. Both men were apparently eager to get down to business. They mixed early and often with Davey getting the better of their initial exchanges. He scored well with a pair of rights to the head, followed by a right-left-right. Guiden replied with a straight right to the jaw and a right uppercut on the inside. The battle lines had been drawn. Guiden's fight was up close, while Moore was the master at long range.

Moore, 153¼, was bubbling over with excess energy and didn't seem to know quite what to do with it. At one point in the first, he launched into a frisky hop-skip-and-jump in a mid-ring effort to tag Guiden that could only have been inspired by Doctor J. He missed, but must have given his challenger something to think about.

"That's me," explained a smiling Moore after the fight. "I'm exuberant. It's a dangerous thing, but I've got to move. It's my personality."

Guiden, an unemployed father of three, forced his way inside in the second with worthwhile results. He began to find the target with his right was especially effective with his uppercut. Moore's face started to redden as Gary connected frequently at close quarters. He seemed to be fighting well within himself, while Davey appeared slightly frustrated and unsure of just what to do next. He finally figured it out and attacked with less than a minute remaining in the round, cutting loose with a flurry that rocked Guiden and re-

RING'S INTERNATIONAL RATINGS

The WBA's reluctance to sanction the Spinks-Braxton title unification bout points out one of boxing's biggest problems: the attempt of each of boxing's two great kleptomaniacs—the WBA and the WBC—to continue to steal the glory of the game and convert it to their own.

How these two petty parties go about their grand theft is simple. They merely refuse to rate the other group's champion amongst their Top Ten, thereby making him ineligible for either a mandatory or a voluntary title defense. In other words, a half-champion can continue to duck the other demi-champion without being penalized for his (in) action.

Of course, this better serves the purposes of these two mistaken nonentities who can continue to collect their sanctioning fees from promoters for staging fights between their half-champion and another warmed-over body instead of the fight the public longs to see.

One man who called their bluff was Mike Trainer, who had Sugar Ray Leonard and Thomas Hearns sign to fight "a 15-round bout" with nary a mention of the word "title" in the contract. And no matter how much the two tweedle-dees huffed and puffed, it made no difference to the public, who would come to view the winner as the world's champion. Of course, those two proud upholders of principle ultimately swallowed their pride and came, hat-in-hand, to collect whatever crumbs they could garner as sanctioning fees. But, in the meantime, the public weal had been served. And served well by subrogating these two clownish groups to their proper position as petitioners.

Now, with yet another unification bout having taken place, boxing again has triumphed and the two organizations have had to take a back seat to the good of boxing, their control over boxing weakened because their control over their champions had been questioned.

Those two Ellis Islands of ideals, the WBC and the WBA—which have continued to operate in the belief that theirs is a polite form of larceny, founded on the faith that they will get theirs because boxing, too, will get theirs—have now lost out. Hopefully, they will continue to get theirs as boxing grows up and needs them less. And boxing will profit from their inability to hold onto their title fiefdoms called "championships."

BERT RANDOLPH SUGAR

RING RATINGS 45 YEARS AGO

HEAVYWEIGHTS
World Champion
Joe Louis, Detroit, Mich.

1. Max Schemling, Germany
2. James J. Braddock, W. New York
3. Nathan Mann, New Haven, Conn.
4. Tommy Farr, Wales
5. Tony Galento, Orange, N.J.
6. Gunnar Barlund, Finland
7. Buddy Baer, Oakland, Calif.
8. Jimmy Adamick, Midland, Mich.
9. Bob Pastor, New York
10. Al McCoy, Winslow, Maine

LIGHTWEIGHTS
World Champion
Lou Ambers, Herkimer, N.Y.

1. Pedro Montanez, Puerto Rico
2. Davey Day, Chicago, Ill.
3. Wesley Ramey, Grand Rapids, Mich.
4. Billy Beauhuld, Jersey City, N.J.
5. Johnny Bellus, New Haven, Conn.
6. Paul Junior, Portland, Maine
7. Eddie Cool, Philadelphia, Pa.
8. Irving Eldridge, New York
9. Charley Gomer, Paris, France
10. Normen Quarles, Charlotte, N.C.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
World Champion
John Henry Lewis, Los Angeles, Calif.

1. Al Gainer, New Haven, Conn.
2. Tiger Jack Fox, Spokane, Wash.
3. Jock McAvoy, England
4. Gus Lesnevich, Cliffside, N.J.
5. Eddie Wenstob, Canada
6. Ralph DeJohn, Buffalo, N.Y.
7. Melio Bettina, Pittsburgh
8. Fred Lenhart, St. Paul, Minn.
9. Ray Actis, San Francisco
10. Dave Clark, New York

FEATHERWEIGHTS
World Champion
Henry Armstrong, Los Angleles, Calif.

1. Freddie Miller, Cincinnati, Ohio
2. Leo Rodak, Chicago, Ill.
3. Everett Rightmire, Chicago, Ill.
4. Jackie Wilson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
5. Ginger Foran, Liverpool, England
6. Dick Corbett, England
7. Johnny Hutchinson, Philadelphia
8. Lew Farber, New York
9. Petey Scalzo, New York, N.Y.
10. Al Reid, New York, N.Y.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
World Champion
Freddie Steele, Seattle, Wash.

1. Fred Apostoli, San Francisco
2. Glen Lee, Grand Island, Neb.
3. Al Hostak, Seattle, Wash.
4. Solly Krieger, New York
5. Young Corbett, San Francisco
6. Teddy Yarosz, Monaca, Pa.
7. Carmelo Candel, France
8. Lou Brouillard, Worcester, Mass.
9. Ben Brown, Atlanta, Georgia
10. Eric Seelig, Germany

BANTAMWEIGHTS
World Champion
Harry Jeffra, Baltimore, Md.

1. Pancho Villa, Mexico
2. K.O. Morgan, Stamford, Conn.
3. Sixto Estobar, Puerto Rico
4. Lou Salica, New York, N.Y.
5. Baby Yack, Toronto, Ont., Canada
6. Indian Quintana, Panama City
7. Georgie Pace, Cleveland, Ohio
8. Johnny King, England
9. Tobe DelaRosa, Italy
10. Aurel Toma, Roumania

WELTERWEIGHTS
World Champion
Barney Ross, Chicago, Ill.

1. Ceferino Garcia, Philippines
2. Jack Carroll, Australia
3. Gustave Eder, Germany
4. Kid Azteca, Mexico
5. Saverio Turiello, Italy
6. Holman Williams, Detroit, Mich.
7. Vittorio Venturi, Italy.
8. Andrea Jessurun, Dutch Guinea
9. Phil Furr, Alexandria, Va.
10. Mike Frattini, Italy

FLYWEIGHTS
World Champion
Benny Lynch, Glasgow, Scotland

1. Peter Kane, England
2. Jackie Jurich, San Jose, Calif.
3. Tiny Bostock, England
4. Tut Whalley, England
5. Jim Warnock, Belfast, Ireland
6. Pierre Louis, France
7. Small Montana, Philippines
8. Valentin Angelmann, France
9. Pat Palmer, England
10. Frank (Kid) Bonser, England

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GENUINE

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HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

LARRY HOLMES** . . . . . Easton, Pa.
1 **Michael Dokes*** . . . . . Akron, Ohio
2 **Mike Weaver** . . . . . Los Angeles, Calif.
3 **Renaldo Snipes** . . . . . Yonkers, N.Y.
4 **Gerrie Coetzee** . . . . . South Africa
5 **Pinklon Thomas** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
6 **Trevor Berbick** . . . . . Halifax, Canada
7 **Greg Page** . . . . . Louisville, Ky.
8 **Gerry Cooney** . . . . . Huntington, N.Y.
9 **Randall (Tex) Cobb** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
10 **Tim Witherspoon** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.

11. John Tate, 12. S.T. Gordon, 13. James Tillis, 14. Leon Spinks, 15. Bernardo Mercado, 16. (Tie) James Broad, Larry Frazier

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

DWIGHT BRAXTON** . . . . . Camden, N.J.
1 **Michael Spinks*** . . . . . St. Louis, Mo.
2 **Eddie Mustafa Muhammad** . . . Brooklyn, N.Y.
3 **Matthew Saad Muhammad** . . . . . Phila., Pa.
4 **Eddie Davis** . . . . . Freeport, N.Y.
5 **Carlos DeLeon** . . . . . Puerto Rico
6 **John Davis** . . . . . Hempstead, N.Y.
7 **Marvin Johnson** . . . . . Indianapolis, Ind.
8 **Oscar Rivadeneyra** . . . . . Vineland, N.J.
9 **John Odhiambo** . . . . . Denmark
10 **Jose M. Flores** . . . . . Uruguay

11. Jerry Celestine, 12. Pete McIntyre, 13. James Scott, 14. Niva Tofaeoni, 15. Ossie Ocasio, 16. Willie Edwards, 17. Bash Ali, 18. Young Joe Louis

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

MARVIN HAGLER . . . . . Brockton, Mass.
1 **Wilford Scypion** . . . . . Port Arthur, Texas
2 **Frank Fletcher** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
3 **Tony Sibson** . . . . . England
4 **Mustafa Hamsho** . . . . . Syria
5 **Thomas Hearns** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
6 **Dwight Davison** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
7 **James Shuler** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
8 **Fulgencio Obelmejias** . . . . . Venezuela
9 **James Green** . . . . . Irvington, N.J.
10 **Bobby Czyz** . . . . . Wanaque, N.J.

11. Ray Seales, 12. Bernard Mays, 13. James Kinchen, 14. Vinnie Curto, 15. Mark Holmes, 16. Curtis Parker, 17. Jean-Marie Emebe, 18. Ronnie Harris, 19. Alex Ramos, 20. Juan Roldan, 21. Robbie Sims

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 154 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Thomas Hearns**** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
2 **Wilfred Benitez** . . . . . Puerto Rico
3 **Tony Ayala, Jr.** . . . . . San Antonio, Tex.
4 **Davey Moore*** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
5 **Mike McCallum** . . . . . New York
6 **Carlos Herrera** . . . . . Argentina
7 **Clint Jackson** . . . . . Nashville, Tenn.
8 **James Green** . . . . . Irvington, N.J.
9 **Roberto Duran** . . . . . Panama
10 **Gary Guiden** . . . . . Muncie, Ind.

11. Charlie Weir, 12. Herol Graham, 13. Luigi Minchillo, 14. (Tie) Kirkland Laing, Fred Hutchings, 16. Carlos Santos

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Milton McCrory** . . . . . Detroit, Mich.
2 **Donald Curry*** . . . . . Ft. Worth, Texas
3 **Marlon Starling** . . . . . Hartford, Conn.
4 **Roger Stafford** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
5 **Kevin Howard** . . . . . Philadelphia, Pa.
6 **Colin Jones** . . . . . England
7 **Bobby Joe Young** . . . . . Steubenville, Ohio
8 **Mauricio Bravo** . . . . . Venezuela
9 **Pipino Cuevas** . . . . . Mexico
10 **Elio Diaz** . . . . . Venezuela

11. Pete Ranzany, 12. Randy Shields, 13. Nino LaRocca, 14. Mark Harris, 15. Luis Resto, 16. Milton Guest, 17. Robert Sawyer, 18. Harold Volbrecht, 19. Hans Henrik Palm, 20. Kirkland Laing, 21. Jun-Sok Hwang

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION

AARON PRYOR* . . . . . Cincinnati, Ohio
1 **Leroy Haley**** . . . . . Las Vegas, Nevada
2 **Alexis Arguello** . . . . . Nicaragua
3 **Johnny Bumphus** . . . . . Clementon, N.J.
4 **Saoul Mamby** . . . . . New York, N.Y.
5 **Steve Hearon** . . . . . Houston, Texas
6 **Sang-Hyun Kim** . . . . . Korea
7 **Guillermo Fernandez** . . . . . Venezuela
8 **Ubaldo Sacco** . . . . . Argentina
9 **Billy Costello** . . . . . Kingston, N.Y.
10 **Bruce Curry** . . . . . Ft. Worth, Texas

11. Ronnie Shields, 12. Willie Rodriguez, 13. Adriano Marrero, 14. Patrizio Oliva, 15. Alfredo Escalera, 16. Dujuan Johnson, 17. Antonio Cervantes, 18. Jo Kimpuani, 19. Clint McKenzie, 20. Steve Early, 21. Juan Jose Gimenez, 22. Miguel Montilla

How **The Ring** International Ratings Panel works: Boxing authorities from all six major continents have submitted their ballots—marked from one to ten to indicate their rankings under **The Ring**'s champion—to reflect their evaluation of the relative challengers' positions as of February 18, 1983. Their ballots were then weighted with scores of from ten (for a first-place vote) to one (for a tenth-place vote) and totaled up to provide the final standings. After the top ten were tabulated, those other fighters receiving votes were then listed in order, according to the number of votes received, from 11th on.

(AS OF FEBRUARY 18, 1983)

The names following each division received votes (in order of their listing)

***WBA champion** ****WBC champion**

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT

1 **Ray Mancini*** . . . . . Youngstown, Ohio
2 **Edwin Rosario** . . . . . Puerto Rico
3 **Howard Davis, Jr.** . . . . . Glen Cove, N.Y.
4 **Andy Ganigan** . . . . . Honolulu, Ha.
5 **Greg Coverson** . . . . . Kalamazoo, Mich.
6 **Roberto Elizondo** . . . . . Corpus Christi, Texas
7 **Livingstone Bramble** . . . . . Passaic, N.J.
8 **Jose Luis Ramirez** . . . . . Mexico
9 **Ken Bogner** . . . . . Trenton, N.J.
10 **Orlando Romero** . . . . . .

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gained control of the fight.

The third was close. Both had their moments. Moore did his version of the "Bronx Shuffle" again and landed a few inconsequential rights. Guiden had moderate success with his own right, but neither really dominated.

Guiden, 152, continued to take the fight to the champ in the fourth. Moore responded by nailing him with four consecutive rights to the noggin. Then, as he sought to press his advantage, Davey leaned into one of Gary's right-hand counters that really stung.

The challenger leaped to the offense, opening up with a clean volley of punches that definitely shook Moore despite his protests to the contrary.

"He had the momentum, but he wasn't really hurting me," insisted Moore.

Be that as it may, Moore lashed out in what seemed to be desperation as Guiden closed for the kill. A wicked left hook caught Gary and turned his advance into a disorderly retreat. Davey wasted no time, following up with a series of rights punctuated by a crushing uppercut that slammed home like a blackjack.

Guiden hovered for a split second as if suspended by the punch, and then crashed to the canvas. He landed on his side and would have rolled onto the apron if a helping hand from the press section hadn't pushed him back in the direction of the ring. After resting on his back for a few seconds, Gary bravely struggled to his feet. He was halfway up, in a semi-squat position, when referee Vincent Rainone counted him out at 2:18 of the round.

The ecstatic Moore took off around the ring in a victory lap and almost bumped into a television camera in his jubilation. He had every right to be pleased with himself. Only a quick, definitive win over an opponent of Guiden's status would appease the cynics and Davey had delivered exactly that.

Although Moore, now 12-0 (nine kayoes), notched his third title defense, he is still smarting from the loss of a megabuck payday against Tony Ayala. Now that "El Torito" is back in the slammer after his latest brush with the law, Moore has resigned himself to looking elsewhere for a big money match.

"I don't want to go to Rahway to fight," sneered Moore.

He also had very few kind words to say about other potential adversaries.

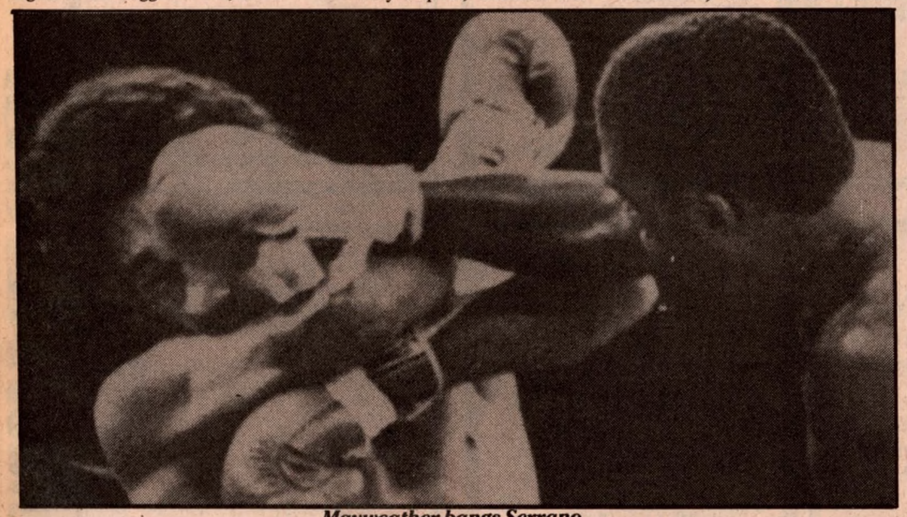
Wilfred Benitez: "He fights about once a year. So I'll probably fight him next January."

Thomas Hearns: "I feel I'll have no trouble with Hearns. He's a good fighter and he'll probably be my toughest fight to date, but I don't think he can take the pressure. He showed that with Leonard. He couldn't take the pressure of a big fight."

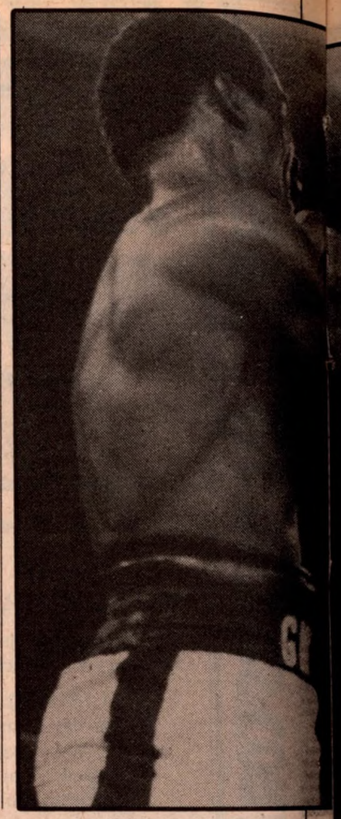
In-Chul Baek: "All I know is that he's the number-one contender now that Ayala's making license plates."

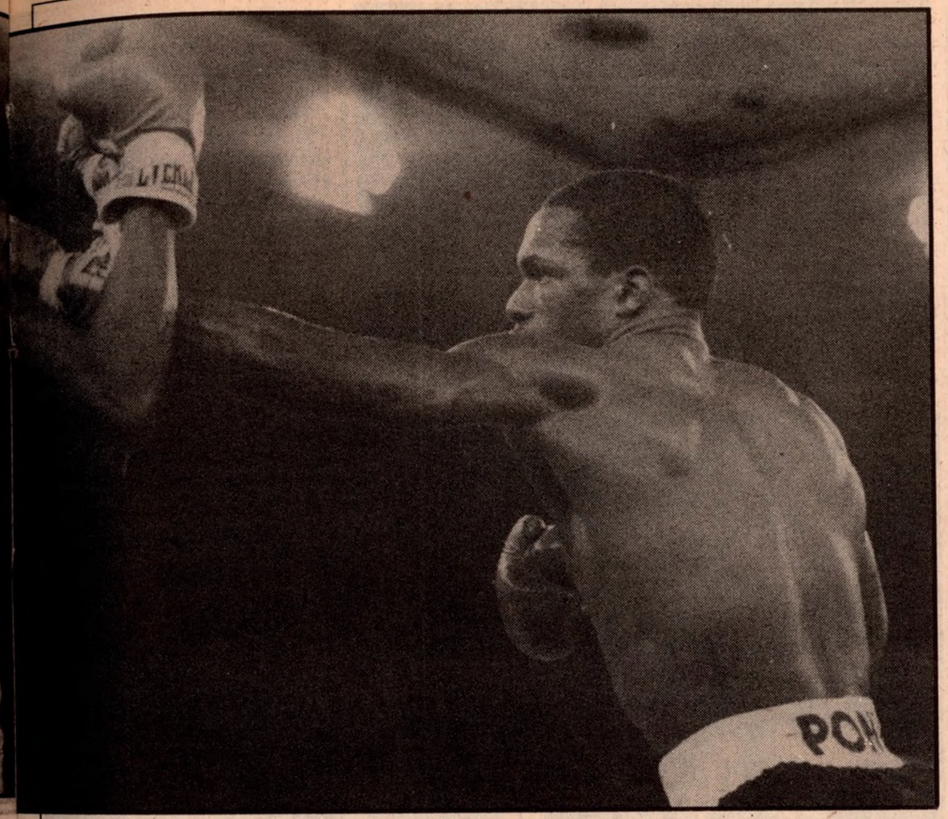
When all is said and done, probably the most likely candidate for the next date with Moore is old *"No Mas"* himself, Roberto Duran. When Roberto salvaged what is left of his career later the same evening in Las Vegas, it set up a natural between the novice champ and the tarnished legend. Leave it to Moore, who watched Duran's comeback on closed-circuit, to pose the most intriguing question of the day.

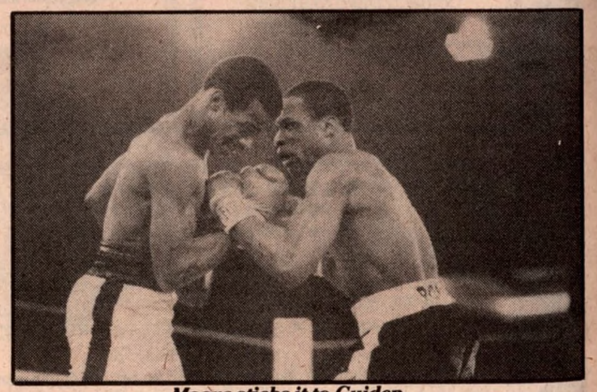
"Was Roberto Duran that good," asked Moore. "Or was Pipino Cuevas that bad?"



Mayweather bangs Serrano.







Moore sticks it to Guiden.

Mark McPherson, 156, Hempstead, N.Y., won a unanimous decision over Ben Serrano, 161, Warminster, Pa., eight. Zack Clayton, referee.

Billy Smith, 148, Boston, scored a unanimous decision over Mike Essett, 143, Indianapolis, six. Tony Perez, referee.

Frankie Minton, 162½, Indianapolis, TKO'd Dennis Johnson, 161¾, Phila., at 1:38 of the fourth and last round. Referee, Clayton.

Iran Barkley, 158, Bronx, survived a knockdown to storm back and TKO Tee Bob Williams, 159, Phila., at 2:45 of the first round in a scheduled four. Perez, referee.

Tony Grillo, 178½, Brooklyn, TKO'd Steve Jackson, 176¾, Hollis, N.Y., at 2:03 of the fourth and last round. Referee Clayton.

Title fight judges—Joe Santarpia, Frank Sangis, and Richard F. Murray.

Prelims judges—Phil Newman, Eva Shain, and Bill Kostrub.

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(01-29-83)

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OCASIO—LOUIS
WBA Junior Heavyweight Title

CHICAGO, ILL.—Just two days after playing host to Ernie Terrell's last card of the year, the venerable Aragon Ballroom opened its doors to a Don King (in conjunction with Luis Marquez) show that saw more racing around, more scrambling, more last minute decisions, and more fancy footwork than any other show in 1982.

This show, a gala attraction headlined by a WBA junior heavyweight title bout between champion Ossie Ocasio and challenger Young Joe Louis, was originally scheduled for Gary, Indiana. Cable TV was to beam the card all over the world, but, by the morning of the fight, the whole show was up for grabs—cable TV commitment and all. It seems the Indiana State Boxing Commission refused to bend its rules and allow the WBA to appoint the officials for the championship bout.

Somebody finally came up with a solution, and the whole show was hurriedly switched to Chicago. Nick Kerasiotis, executive secretary of the Illinois Commission, is also a top official of the WBA, and quickly arranged the change in venue. Two busloads of assorted officials, managers, and seconds — not to mention 18 bemused boxers — were trundled from Gary to the Aragon in time for the first bout to go on at 6:30 pm.

The headline fight itself turned out to be a rather lacklustre event, with Ocasio, 188½, Cantera, Puerto Rico, winning a unanimous decision over Louis, 187½, Chicago. The 26-year-old Louis, whose real name is Eddie Taylor, tried hard, but Ocasio was just a little too cute, and too smart, to fall into the traps he set.

The official scoring was as follows: referee Isidro Rodriguez (Venezuela), 147-144; judge Medardo Villalobos (Panama), 147-143; judge Ove Ovesen (Denmark), 146-142. Ocasio is now 18-3-1. Louis is 22-1-1.

Mark Holmes, 164, Easton, Pa., won a unanimous decision over Muleman Alexander, 161, Chicago, 10. This was quite a jump up for Muleman. His last bout was a scheduled four-rounder, and he was 4-0 going into the Holmes match. He didn't do too bad, all things considered.

Milton Guest, 148¼, Yonkers, New York, TKO'd Dujuan Johnson, 148¼, Detroit, at 2:52 of the fifth round in their scheduled 10. Guest was in charge all the way, but Johnson fought back every minute of every round.

Arty McCloud, 160, Philadelphia, floored Don Lee, 160, Gary, Indiana, three times for a first round TKO at 1:55 in their scheduled 10.

Dwight Davison, 161, Detroit, TKO'd Steve Williams, 157, Chicago, at 1:04 of the seventh in another scheduled 10.

Luke Capuano, 188, Chicago, knocked out Londeal Frierson, 194½, Wichita, with a left hook in 2:10 of the opening round in still another scheduled 10.

Victor Callejas, 123, San Gerardo, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Neal Rubio, 124, Chicago, at 1:37 of round three in their scheduled 10.

Lonnie Smith, 139, Denver, won a unanimous decision over Victor Flores, 133, Chicago, eight.

Jose DeJesus, 109, Arroyo, Puerto Rico, kayoed hapless Fidel Gonzales, 112¼, Chicago, in 1:10 of the first round in the scheduled four-round walk-out bout.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Al Preslinger.

Judges—Mike Figueroa, Jerry Huits, Bill Lerch, John Ricci.

Timekeeper—Al Tremari.

Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.

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(12-15-82)

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TOKASHIKI—KIM
WBA Junior Flyweight Title

KYOTO, JAPAN—Quick punching Katsuo Tokashiki, 108, retained his WBA junior fly crown with a unanimous decision over former champion Hwan-Jin Kim, 107¾, in a 15-round slugfest at Kyoto Prefectural Gynmasium.

This was Tokashiki's fourth defense since he won the title with a unanimous duke over Kim on December 16, 1981. The 28-year-old Kim was in better shape this time, but still couldn't cope with Tokashiki's superior speed and combination punching.

The 5' Kim was determined to recapture his lost crown, and took the first four rounds by boring in with jolting hooks. Hwan-Jun raised his arm after the bell ended the fourth frame, but the victory sign was somewhat premature.

Kim pinned Tokashiki to the ropes in the fifth canto, but the Japanese fought back hard in the closing seconds. The tide was about to turn.

Tokashiki caught the crouching Kim wth sharp straight rights and uppercuts in the sixth session. Kim was staggered, but came back to fight toe-to-toe with Katsuo in the next two rounds. Those frames were even, but Kim's fast pace in the early rounds was beginning to tell. He didn't seem as fast as he had been before.

Tokashiki struck-and-moved in the ninth session, but Kim ducked under his jabs frequently, and scored with punches to the body. The champ, however, found it easy to hit Kim with uppercuts and left hooks. It was Tokashiki's round.

The 5'2" Tokashiki also won the next three rounds, but Kim never retreated, though his face was swollen badly and his nose was bleeding. Tokashiki shook Kim with combos in the 11th and hit him almost constantly in round 12, but the Korean's fighting spirit never left him.

The last three rounds were about even, with Katsuo having an edge in the 14th. Both men missed a lot of punches, but the action remained desperate until the final bell.

The scoring was as follows: referee Carlos Berrocal (Panama), 148-143; judge Medardo Villalobos (Panama), 149-142; judge Luis Jose

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Rodriguez (Venezuela), 148-141—all for Tokashiki. The champ thus bettered his log to 18-1-1 with three kayoes. Kim fell to 22-2-2 with nine knockouts.

"Kim was far better than in our first encounter," said the unmarked Tokashiki. "I was befuddled by his ducking, and was worried about butts. I wanted to take him out, but he was very tough."

Tokashiki's manager, Katsuro Takahashi, said that "Kim looked tired after the 10th round. We encouraged Katsuo to attack hard, and, with more accuracy in his combos, he could have knocked Kim out."

Hwan-Jin wasn't a good loser. He said that the worst he should have gotten was a draw.

"I never backpedaled," he said. "I covered myself up against all of Tokashiki's punches. I landed more blows." Ho-Yun Chun, his manager, a very influential impresario, backed up his charge. "I want their third fight in a neutral country," he said. "I thought Kim won by two points. I'll protest to the WBA."

WBA Ratings Committee Chairman Dr. Elias Cordova was present at the fight, but agreed wholeheartedly with the decision. "Tokashiki has improved," he said. "He seems to have gained confidence as the world champ. I thought he won by seven or eight points."

It appears, then, that the Kim camp's protest will be fruitless.

Tokashiki is scheduled to meet Lupe Madera in an eagerly anticipated rematch. Katsuo won a hotly disputed nod over the Mexican puncher in his first defense on April 4, 1982, so their return bout should be a good test of the champion's progress as a fighter.

Akio Kameda, 140, retained his Japanese junior welterweight crown with a lopsided unanimous decision over fellow southpaw Shoji Okishima, 139½, 10. Scoring: referee Kashiwagi and judge Fujita, both 100-90; judge Uenaka, 100-92. Kameda is now 19-1 with 14 kayoes. Okishima is 7-3-1 with two knockouts.

Mitsuo Kushikino, 147, retained his Japanese welterweight title by demolishing Shigeru (Mugen) Kawasaka, 245½, in 2:54 of the fourth round in their scheduled 10. Kushikino is now 21-13 with 16 knockouts. Kawasaka is 9-3 with six kayoes.

Shinji Tanaka, 130, scored a come-from-behind kayo over southpaw Satoshi Chinen, also 130, in 3:00 of the fourth and final round in the card opener.

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Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

When Marvin Hagler announced that the next defense of his world's—not to be confused with WBC or WBA—middleweight title would be against Tony Sibson, the gutty Brit who had just taken the measure of Dwight Davison, the pressbox wags began to denigrate the match-up, citing as their authority the old Red Smith line, dating back to Bruce Woodcock's unsuccessful invasion of the Colonies, "Blissful sleep came as it must to all British contenders."

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Still, there were those who pointed out that Hagler's last six fights had lasted a total of but 33 rounds, making him the middleweight version of Gerry Cooney. And further, that he had taken his time in disposing of such run-of-the-mill fighters as Fulgencio Obelmejias (twice, virtually attaining permanent possesion of the WBA's equally permanent Number-One contender and the WBA as well), Mustafa Hamsho, a recycled Vito Antufermo and Alan Minter. Forget Caveman Lee; he was a mistake, running into a right jab as he did. Hagler took his time. And that boded well for a brawler like Tony Sibson who, not incidentally, had a punch.

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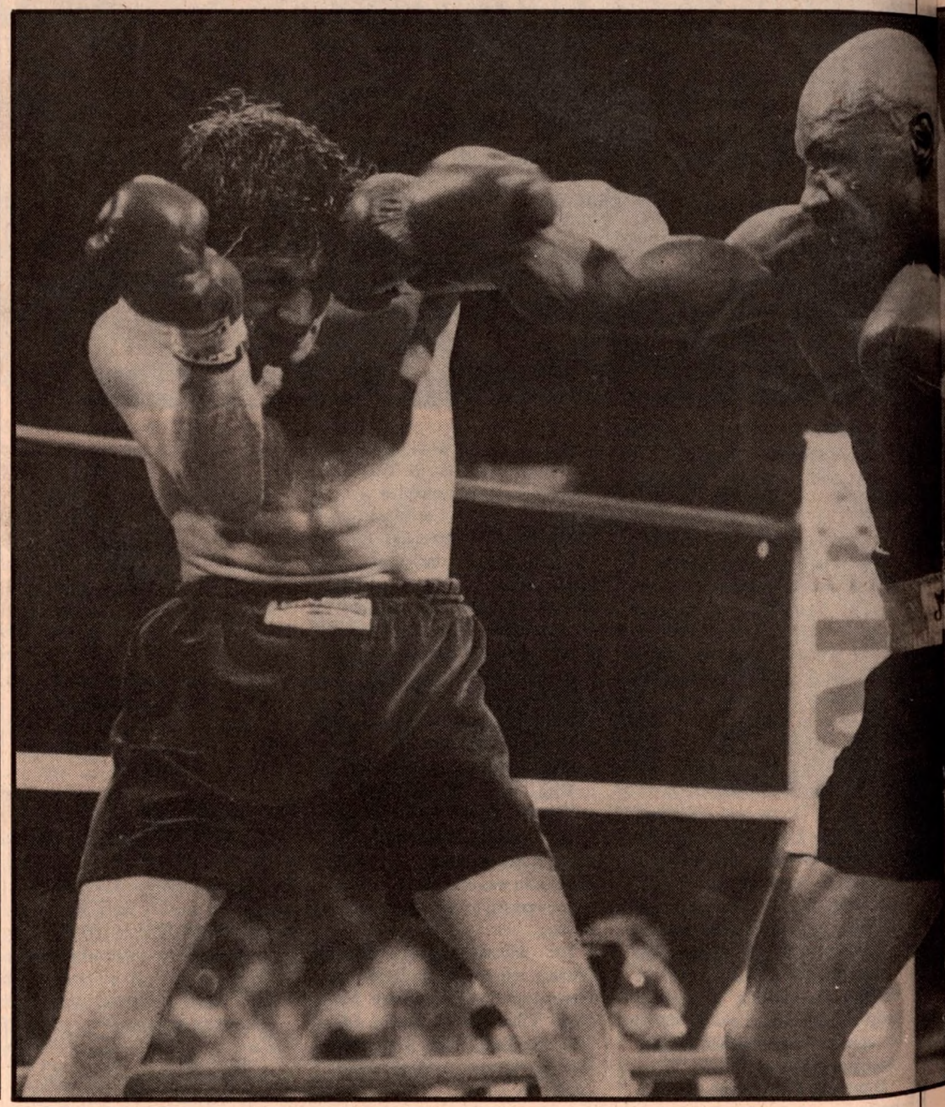
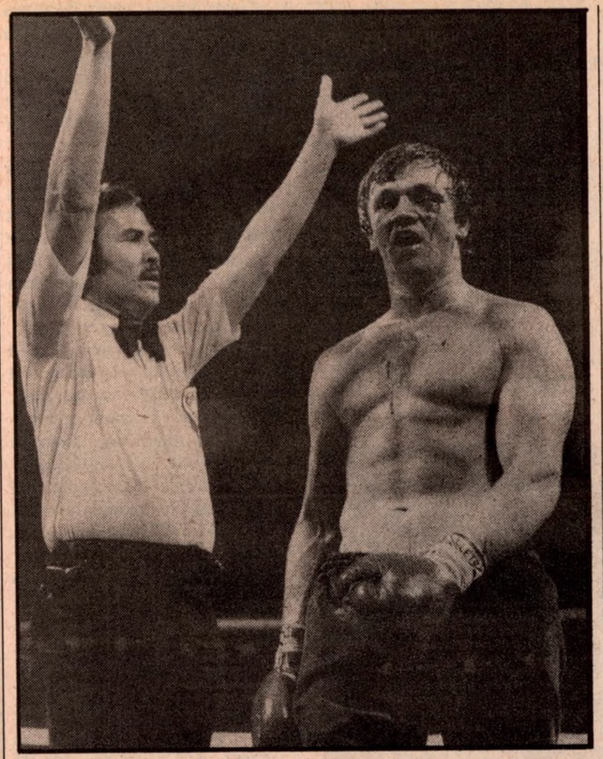
Mickey Duff, the ever-hopeful promoter-manager who could find a horse in a roomful of manure, added fuel to the Sibson fire by claiming that Hagler "had a bit of the dog in 'im," a reference to his 15-round title draw with Antufermo back in 19-ought-79 when Hagler spent the last three rounds retreating in the face of Vito's kamikaze charges. And the Brits, hundreds of them—including one boxing buff whose son had perished in the Falklands but had left his dad one-thousand pounds to defray his expenses at the next big fight—came to witness the Battle of Worcester, to rightfully reclaim the title that had belonged to Randy Turpin, Terry Downes and Alan Minter. This was it! to his and to every British boxing fan, Sibson versus Hagler, the chance to recapture Birtain's rightful place in the boxing sun now that all around them had sunk into the West.





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And so, on the week of February 11th, they descended, en masse, on the medium-size city of Worcester, Massachusetts, a town which, like Marvin's hometown of Brockton, had always stood in the shadow of the State Capital, Boston, but which, for one night at least, was the boxing capital of the world. With a new arena, the Centrum, and a burning curiosity to view a world (not to be confused with WBC or WBA) title fight, the 13,800 seats—plus an additional four just to thwart the fire laws—were sold out in a matter of hours. It was an attraction. The question was: Was it the fighter, Marvelous Marvin Hagler, or the new arena that was the draw?

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With dire predictions of an impending blizzard, the 13,804 fans—most of whom came in whiteface, unlike any boxing crowd seen in the last decade—sat in stony silence as the spearcarriers, known as preliminary fighters, went through their paces, neither exciting nor boring them as they awaited the commencement of hostilities between Britain's best and, obviously, the world's best.

And then, without benefit of introductions to tell you the champion weighed in at 158½, the challenger 160, they were in the middle of the ring, receiving instructions: Hagler the menacing and Sibson, the fair, looking like a little kid standing opposite the merchant of menace.

Hagler, much practiced in the art, returned blank stare with a glower—just as he had at that morning's weigh-in when he brushed aside one of Sibson's tentative love-slash-hate taps with a scowl and a "Get your hands off me or we'll get it on right now."

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And there was the bell. No words could determine it now; now it was between the two best 160-pounders in the world for all the marbles.

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The first punch landed was, prophetically, a Hagler right, followed by a left. But the Hagler right was to tell the story of the fight as he landed it time and again while circling, moving and, in general, displaying a virtuosity of foot movement unseen since Fred Astaire in "The Gay Divorce"—moving first to his left and then to his right, all the while tatooing Sibson's face with his talented right. Later Hagler was to confess, "I knew my right hand worked . . . Could use it all day." All night, too, it seemed.

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Round Two finally saw Sibson find his elusive target, landing two . . . three . . . four left hands. One of them caught Hagler's attention. The man who was later to admit that "I knew in first I had him," was "caught with a left hook." Admittedly "shaken up with a good left hook aside the eye," Hagler, right then and there, decided not to play around and to make quicker work of his adversary.

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It was Tony this and Tony that, almost as if Kipling had scored the scenario for Hagler's right hand as he began to leave the impression of his glove on Sibson's face. Alternating his currency, he began to sneak through his right uppercut, landing it with such power that he broke Sibson's protective cup in two.

Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

Fungo practice continued in the third as Hagler began switching over to the orthodox style, all the better to land his right, which was anytime he threw it. Sibson, who "couldn't see where the punches were coming from" was a standing target for Hagler's lethal right which now began to pick his challenger apart.

Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

By Round Four the sound of Hagler's right began to imitate the sound made by a hand slapping a side of hanging beef . . .

Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

No longer were "Sibo's" fans yelling for the man to take the fight to Hagler; now they were merely yelling for him to survive, their Union Jacks hanging as limply in the breeze as Sibson's pants now coming down to his knees.

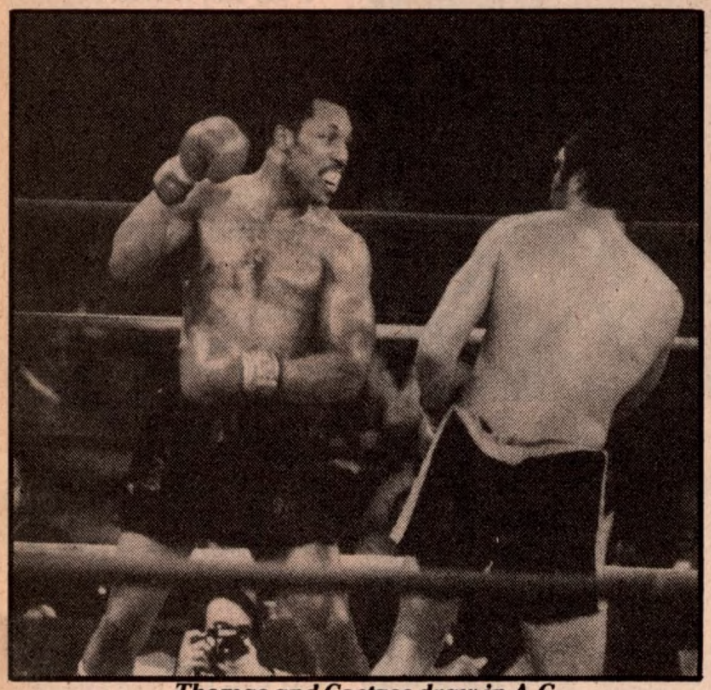
Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

Still, Sibson tried to get inside, but everytime he charged he met a Hagler right, no matter the angle. By the middle of the fourth Sibson's face resembled the road map back to his native Leicester, both of his eyes cut and his nose turning a crimson red. Not content to let red enough along, Hagler continued to change direction—and style—coming at Sibson with rights, rights and more rights. All one could thin of was Alan Minter's comment af-

ter he lost the crown to Hagler, "God, he had longer arms than I ever imagined."

Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

By the sixth round the outcome was no longer in doubt, merely the method of dispatch. A right hand by Hagler, another right, a right uppercut, a right to the body, and effortless change to an orthodox sytle and another right and Sibson fell backward. Slowly. As he arose, Sibson made two gestures, one to his fans—"Sorry, not tonight"—and another to his corner, pulling down his red drawers to expose his blue underpants and his broken supporter, trying to explain his but one part of his dilemma.



CINDY VANNOY

Thomas and Coetzee draw in A.C.

Thwack . . . Thwack . . .

But even before he had hitched his pants back up his primary dilemma, Hagler, was on him again, throwing right-after-right, finally driving him to the canvas much as one would drive a nail into wood. Referee Carlos Padilla watched as the slowly-rising Sibson spat out his mouthpiece and began to stumble forward and then mercifully signaled the end of the fight at 2:40 of the sixth, saving the visitor from yet another healthy serving of . . .

thwack . . . thwack . . .

Now Marvelous Marvin sat atop his perch as World Middleweight titlist, unchallenged by any living mortal and compared to the greats of perhaps the greatest division in boxing history. All that is missing is that historic whetstone against whom he could sharpen his skills and his place in history—not to mention his bank account. Say against a Sugar Ray Leonard. But, as Leonard himself said at his Farewell, "That is not to be." And more's the pity now that boxing has found a new Sultan of Thwack.

In the semi-final, a brawling, mauling Juan Roldan of Argentina, reputed to be yet another future Hagler sacrificial offering, took eight rounds to dispose of a quasi-talented Wilbur Hendersen, hardly improving his chances for a shot, but obviously improving his WBA ranking. Edward Curet extended his unbeaten record to 12-0 with a six-round decision over Frank Mackey in a lightweight bout. Mackey dropped to 6-5. In another lightweight six-rounder, Steve Hillyard brought his record to 13-1, copping a split decision over Jose Madera, now 12-9. Don Halpen, 210 pounds and 12-8 coming in, surprised Jesse James, 226½, and took their six-rounder by majority decision. James dropped to 8-2-1. Bryan Porecca brought his log to 9-1, capturing a unanimous decision from Jackie Morrell, now 20-7, in a welterweight six-rounder.

By Bert Randolph Sugar

ROJAS-M.TAYLOR
USBA Featherweight Title

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.—Despite the fact that he's been beaten by such notables as Rolando Navarrete, Edwin Rosario, Rocky Lockridge, Bernard Taylor, and Hector Camacho, Californian Refugio Rojas is the new USBA featherweight champion by virtue of a ninth round TKO over previously unbeaten Myron Taylor. This unlikely turn of events came about when Juan LaPorte graduated from USBA king to WBC boss, leaving the national title up for grabs.

Going into the match, Rojas was rated eighth by the USBA, while Taylor held down the sixth slot. What, you may ask, happened to the first five contenders? Well, it seems they all had one reason or another for being "unavailable." Lockridge is waiting to fight Eusebio Pedroza for the WBA belt; Bernard Taylor just fought Pedroza; Ruben Castillo is in line for a shot at LaPorte; Mike Ayala is inactive; and Juan (Kid) Meza didn't like the purse offer. Therefore, Rojas and Taylor got the call.

Taylor, 125½, got off to a good start, decking Rojas in the second with a nice right to the head. Refugio beat the count and survived a few more shakey moments before the bell came to his rescue.

Rojas, also 125½, recovered well in the third, connecting with rights of his own as Taylor charged in. He also opened a cut in the corner of Taylor's left eye that seemed to bother the Philadelphian more than it should. As the fight progressed, he pawed at the wound, often destroying his cutman's work himself.

Taylor, 22, seemed to lack any sort of battle plan. He ignored his corner's pleas to cut the ring off and simply followed Rojas in a straight line, eating counters as he rushed forward. The expression on Myron's face was one of utter confusion.

Rojas, who runs hot-and-cold, continued to take advantage of his greater experience, gradually wearing down and discouraging Taylor. By the eighth, Rojas had become the aggressor. In the ninth, he pinned Myron on the ropes and was dishing out a steady diet of punishment when referee Zack Clayton wisely called a halt at 2:28. It had been scheduled for 12.

The win lifted Rojas' record to 21-9 (13 kayoes) and also earned him the dubious distinction of a spot among the WBA's top 10. Taylor, a Bronze Medalist in the 1980 Olympic Trials, is in dire need of additional schooling. His record dropped to 14-1-1 (eight kayoes).

In the bristling semi-final, Freddie Reyes, 137¾, Phila., edged out Victor Pappa, 140, Ridley Park, Pa., via split decision over 10 see-saw rounds of punching. Referee Paul Venti went for Pappa 5-4-1, but judges Tommy Kaczmarek and Richard F. Murry saw it for Reyes, 5-4-1 and 7-2-1 respectively.

Jerome Coffee, 116½, Nashville, improved his record to 15-0 (eight kayoes) with a TKO over Sylvester Guerrero, 115, Los Angeles, at 1:38 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10. Heteree, Venti.

Danny Harold, 150, Vineland, N.J., scored a unanimous decision over Al Ferro, 148, Phila., six. Referee, Clayton.

Mike Sheeran, 162, Phila., TKO'd Michael Grant, 157½, Phila., at 0:45 of the fourth round in a scheduled six. Referee, Venti.

In the scheduled four-round walkout, Sam David, 117¾, Easton, Pa., TKO'd Jose Espada, 121, Reading, Pa., at 2:35 of the third. Referee, Venti.

The card was televised live from the Claridge Hotel Casino over the PRISM cable network.

Promoter—Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc., and Joe Hand.

(12-01-82)

NIGEL COLLINS

HALEY-MAMBY
WBC Junior Welterweight Title

CLEVELAND, OHIO—Leroy Haley has Saoul Mamby's number. The only difference this time was that the number was changed from 15 to 12.

Last November, Haley took Mamby's WBC junior welterweight crown on a 15-round decision. Mamby pouted loudly and demanded a rematch. Well, he got it, and also became the first fighter to possibly suffer by the WBC's new rule that all title fights be reduced to 12 rounds.

When the cards were tallied up, judges Henry Elespuru and Spider Bynum had it 115-114, while judge Chuck Minker scored it 115-113—all in Haley's favor.

Mamby, who is not always so sweet, pouted again. "I thought I won it, but I didn't. The judges said 'no'."

"Yes, it was close," said the 28-year-old champion. "I'm not going to say he didn't get my attention—but I got his attention, too. This man fought 27 rounds with me and it was a close 27 rounds."

The fight looked like a replay of their first one, with Mamby using his exceptional left jab to counter the wild swinging hooks of Haley. Neither was really hurt in the fight. In the sixth, a right by Mamby drew blood from the mouth of Haley. There was no further damage.

The bout was even going into the last round, and both fought as if they needed that session to win. Mamby flicked the jab in Haley's face, but Leroy's hooks found their marks on the side of Saoul's head. Haley took the round, and won the fight.

Haley, of Las Vegas, is now 47-2-2, while Mamby, of New York, dropped to 33-14-5.

(02-13-83)

DURAN-CUEVAS

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.—A new chapter was started in the biography of one legend while the final chapter was written in the biography of another as two-time champion Roberto Duran knocked out former WBA Welterweight champion Pipino Cuevas in the fourth round at the L.A. Sports Arena.

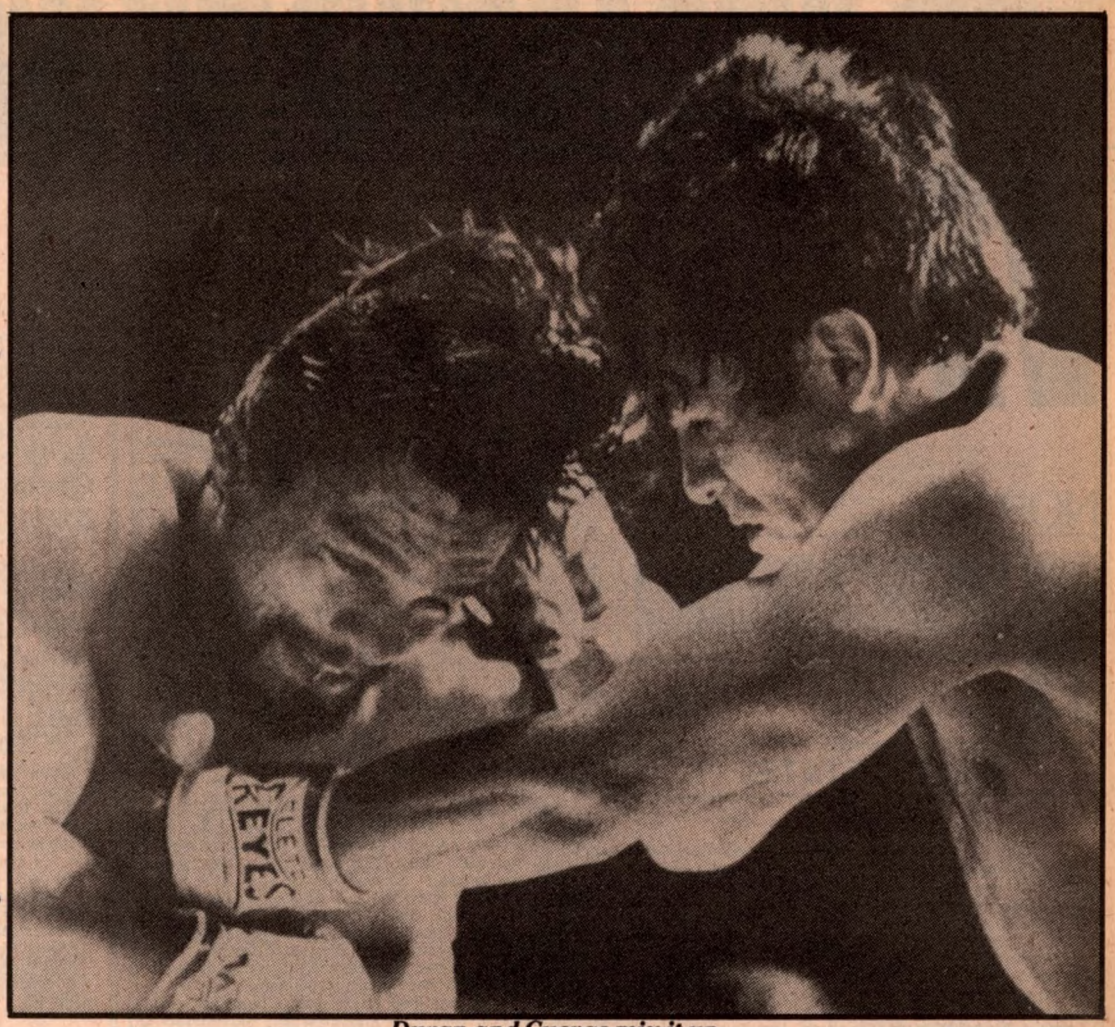
A near-capacity crowd of 16,824 witnessed the bout, heralded as "Super Sabado," tying the 12-rounder into the next day's Super Bowl. The catch-phrase obscured the fact that the so-called "Elimination Bout" accomodated a weight limit which was set at a maximum of 151 pounds — give or take a pound. If Duran won, he would be in line for a title shot with WBA Junior Middleweight champ Davey Moore, while a victory by Cuevas would put him in line for another try at his welterweight crown. The "elimination" was, therefore, for two titles, not the normal one.

Duran came in at 152, the lightest he has been since his infamous "No Mas" fight with Sugar Ray Leonard back in '80. Cuevas, who had not fought since his November 1981 loss to Roger Stafford, weighed in at 149.

A few years back, Duran and Cuevas, who are national heroes in their native lands of Panama and Mexico, would have been fighting for, at the very least, multi-million dollar purses. But for this one, the two elder statesmen earned $50,000 apiece, with more from foreign sales and closed-circuit revenues.

Entering the ring first, Duran, adorned in a white robe trimmed in black, received the adulation of his fans, along with a few firecrackers in true Latin tradition. For five minutes Duran punched at the ghosts of his past before the poncho-bedecked Cuevas entered the ring to his own ovation.

At the bell, Cuevas came out banging with his famed left hook, this time plying the body of the supposedly out-of-shape Duran and forcing the man with the hands of stone — but body of lesser substance — to hold on. Duran countered with a stiff right to Pipino's jaw, but Cuevas responded in kind with three more hooks to the body. Later in the round Pipino connected to Duran's jaw but Roberto didn't even acknowledge his adversary's blow. Both continued to slug after the bell.



Duran and Cuevas mix it up.

In the second round, Duran began to use his left jab, dropping over an occasional hard right to Cuevas' jaw. The two warriors exchanged hooks and uppercuts towards the end of the round, but it was becoming evident to all, if not Pipino, that the strong-chinned — and willing — Duran had taken Cuevas' best and now was taking control of the fight as well.

His control became complete in the third. As the two stood toe-to-toe, exchanging hooks, a Duran left hurt Cuevas. Cuevas recovered from the effects of the hook, but a right uppercut shook Pipino to his very foundations.

In the fourth, Duran took a giant step back in time and recaptured a measure of his greatness, his combinations landing to Pipino's head. Then came the big punch, a hard right to the jaw that made Cuevas' legs turn to Gelatina. Later he would admit he never recovered from that one punch. Duran then drove Cuevas into a neutral corner, a ring-post the only support for the crumbling form of Cuevas and the floor. Still, referee James Jen Kin signaled it as a knockdown, and waved the raging toro once known as Duran to a neutral corner. After he had tolled eight over the still semi-erect Cuevas and waved Duran back into action, Duran picked up the pace of his attack firing furious combinations to Cuevas' head. Pipino sank to the floor in his own corner, his legs gone — along with his future.

Arising on unsteady legs at the count of nine, Cuevas turned to see his long-time manager, Lupe Sanchez, step through the ropes to halt the bout with just 36 seconds gone in the round — probably the last time the fabled Sanchez will climb into the ring with a top-ranked Mexican fighter.

After the fight the jubiliant Duran rejoiced in the fact that he would again challenge for the title, this time against Davey Moore. For the 31-year-old Panamian, it was his 56th knockout in 75 wins against just four losses, and his first knockout since February 1980, when he stopped someone named Wellington Wheatley in six. For Cuevas, it marked the end of the trial for a once-great 25-year-old whose record slipped to 29-8 — and whose future stock slipped even lower.

On the undercard, undefeated Sergio Medina of Guadalajara, Mexico, scored a surprising 10-round decision over former junior lightweight champion Alfredo Escalera of Puerto Rico. Medina, 137, is now 24-0, but it looked like Escalera, 137½, had the better of the fight. Judges scoring as follows: Lou Filippo 98-93; Dick Young 96-94 and John Thomas had it 97-96, all for Medina. RING scored it 97-93 for Escalera.

Felipe Urquiza, 131½, Mexico knocked out Javier Rios, 135, Los Angeles at 2:19 of the second round.

Daniel Zaragoza, 118½, Mexico, won a 10-round decision over Lorenzo Ramirez, 117½, Los Angeles.

Brothers Elias and Erick Madrid of North Hollywood both scored first-round knockouts. Elias, 131¼, stopped Jose Moya, 134½, La Fuente, Calif., at :47 while Erick, 129, KO'd Francisco Estrella, 133½, Mexico at :34. Harry Kazandjian, 135¼, North Hollywood and Mark Wiggins, 134¼, Bakersfield, Calif., fought to a four-round draw.

STEVE MEDWID

RINGS AROUND THE WORLD

NORTH AMERICA

UNITED STATES

ARKANSAS

▲ **LITTLE ROCK—B.J.'s Star Studded Honky Tonk—**This was the first in a planned series of monthly small club boxing shows in a country-western dance hall.

In a six-rounder that more-or-less served as the feature, Little Rock welterweight John Dobbins evened his pro record at 2-2 outpointing Chester Jackson of Osceola, Arkansas.

Four-rounders: Heavyweight Ray Haynes, Little Rock, knocked out Jeff Worsham, Newport, Arkansas, in 0:52 of the second. Middleweight James Coleman, Little Rock, stopped A.T. Morris, Memphis, in the third round. Heavyweight James Cotton, Little Rock, halted Tony Boymon, Little Rock, in round three. Heavyweight Tony Drew, Little Rock, kayoed Billy Edmonds, Little Rock, in 1:37 of the first round. Heavyweight Vernon Blade, Little Rock, TKO'd Steve Baker, Little Rock, in the second.

Promoter—Don Lowrie.

Attendance—300.

(01-11-83)

▲ **LITTLE ROCK—Convention Center—**Anthony Davis, 187, Las Vegas, knocked out Otis Bates (formerly known as Otis Hardy), 194, in 1:50 of the 13th round to win the vacant WAA cruiserweight title.

Davis won the first 12 rounds decisively, dropping Bates with a left hook and right uppercut for an eight-count less than 10 seconds into the first round. Otis was down for another eight-count in the fourth round, and then floored twice in the fatal 13th session. Referee Jim Kidd didn't even bother to start a count the second time.

Davis, 27, is now 13-1. Bates/Hardy, 22, a Little Rock native who has fought mostly out of Vegas the last two years, is 10-3-2.

Jim Pixley, Forth Smith, Arkansas, decisioned shopworn Jimmy Heair, Memphis, in the 10-round semi-final. Heair, a veteran of more than 100 fights, apparently hadn't fought in several months, and took this one on short notice.

James Coleman, Little Rock, knocked out Ronnie Crawford, Memphis, in 2:02 of the fourth round, middles.

Memphis heavyweight Donnie Franklin knocked out Lester Turentine, Fort Smith, in 2:25 of the second.

Light heavy Eddie Oglesby, Little Rock, stopped Joe Taylor, Covington, Tenn., at 1:10 of the third.

Little Rock light heavy Anthony Campbell outpointed Jon Phillips, four.

Promoter—Arkansas Contenders, Inc.

Matchmaker—Buddy Holderfield.

Attendance—2,400. Gross—$40,000.

(01-18-83)

JIM BAILEY

CALIFORNIA

▲ **STOCKTON—**Home town middleweight Fred Hutchings fought what he hopes ws his last fight in a tank town, beating up veteran Felton Marshall in the 10-round main event at the Civic Auditorium. Hutchings, 24 years old, may have won every round, and though he showed hustle, he was all jab and foot movement against a sluggish opponent. Marshall actually seemed grateful that Hutchings offered only a lackluster attack.

Some 700 paying customers huddled in a near freezing auditorium, and they tried now and again to stir the fighters, pleading for some hard-core action. Hutchings, 159½, now 22-1, never slacked off from flicking his jab out. He followed the advice of his corner and went for the high percentage, and low-risk shot.

The decision was unanimous, but the drama was disappointing. Fred Hutchings was signed for a money fight on ESPN in two weeks, a chance at earning the recognition he seeks, and so he made sure he came out of the fight against Marshall without getting injured, cut, or beaten. In two weeks, he fights unbeaten Charles Carter in Las Vegas. Hutchings will put out his best for that fight, and should knock Carter out at the half way point.

In the preliminaries: Gerald Issack, 122, San Francisco, won a six-round unanimous decision over Antonion Reyes, 123, Stockton, in a tough, hard-fought bout with Issack holding the edge all the way.

In a five-round bout, Roberto Juarez, 137, Stockton, came away with a unanimous decision over Sacramento fighter Danny Savala, 135, in a terrific action fight. In another five-rounder, Miguel Juarez, 140, Stockton, won a split decision over Alex Delgado, 139½, San Francisco, in perhaps the best fight of the night. Finally, Alberto Gonzalez, 155, Atwater, knocked out Mark Pierce, 155, Tracy, at the end of the second of a scheduled five rounder.

(01-13-83)

▲ **SANTA ROSA—**Middleweight Johnny Nava kept his unbeaten streak intact, but he should send his latest opponent a thank-you note for his much needed help. Midway through the 10-round main-event at the Santa Rosa Fairgrounds, veteran opponent Joe Gonzalez, 160, was disqualified after he got into a beef with referee Rudy Ortega and stalked out of the ring. Nava, 160½, Pacifica, was doing no better than holding his own until the abrupt ending, and he had a serious gash over his left eye that might well have forced him out of the fight.

Ortega is an excellent referee and he repeatedly warned Gonzalez for butting and low blows; but the 11 year veteran from Santa Rosa has long relied upon a head-first, crude-swinging style to make up for his lack of skill, and he could not handle Ortega reading the rule book in his face. It would be kind to call Gonzalez fickle; he cheated the fans and ran for the showers. It is much easier to call him stupid—had he hung in there another round or two he might have won. The cut over Nava's eye was that bad, and getting worst.

The 21-year old Nava is now 12-0 with eight knockouts, and he is slowly developing into a legitimate main-event performer. Nava is a busy fighter—sometimes awkward, but he has a strong attack, and has shown flashes of promise though still knee deep in his freshman year. God knows, local fans are ready to welcome any rising fighter.

The undercard looked very attractive on paper, but it ended with mixed results. In a six-rounder, Thurmon Dressler, 147, Carson City, won a unanimous decision over David Marsala, 145½, San Francisco, in a lively scrap without a hint of science. The crowd booed the decision, favoring the brawling, chin-out Marsala as the winner.

In an exciting eight-rounder, Fili Ramirez, 140½, San Jose, squeaked by with a split decision over Romao Delgado, 144, San Francisco, in perhaps the best fight of the card.

In a five-round bout, Nicky Walker, 161½, Carson City, raised his fists and slayed Ingolf Heitmann, 161, Santa Rosa, midway through the second.

The card was promoted by Manny Piriano, and although he at best broke even, Piriano plans to promote on a montly basis in the Bay Area. Joe Gonzalez embarrassed himself and cheated the fans, and was subsequently suspended for six months by the State Athletic Commission.

CHRISTOPHER COATS

CONNECTICUT

▲ **HARTFORD—Civic Center Coliseum—**A truce, of sorts, among a trio of rival boxing promoters was effected by newly named Civic Center boxing advisor F. MacBuckley with the presentation of a super show embracing boxers affiliated with all three groups. The Hartford attorney, who doubles in brass as manager-trainer of welterweight contender Marlon Starling, presented an ambitious 11-bout card spanning three and three-quarter hours, non-stop. With no intermission, and boxers waiting at ringside to step is as soon as a decision was rendered, the card was completed at 11:30 p.m. The program had started 15 minutes earlier than usual.

If Starling, 148, Hartford, hadn't knocked out sub Manny Madera, 146, Lowell, Mass., in three, the show might have run until midnight. "Moochie" had no trouble taking command over the Bay State southpaw, whom he jarred and jolted with right hand leads and left-right combos and put away in 0:42 of round three. Except for a thoughtless split second lapse into a stomp, Starling kept his "Magic Show" under lock. It was his excessive clowning that led to his one setback the October night he lost to number two welter contender Donald Curry.

Starling *The Ring* Int. Panel's number four contender, is now 26-1 with 17 knockouts, and vows that he has every intention of battling his way up again for a title shot.

MacBuckely's "Best Bout" bonus of $500—winners picked by ringside newsmen—ws divided between "Iron Mike" Costello, 168, Bridgeport, and Jerry Halstead, 170, Branford, for their six-round clash—a battle of unbeatens. The crowd rose—stomping, roaring, and whistling as the duel closed in a slugfest. Halstead took an early lead, but Costello rallied in the last four rounds to win a split decision. He's now 7-0. Halstead is 22-1.

Lou Alexander, 245, Buffalo, knocked out Harold Rice, 280, Hartford, in 0:51 of the seventh. San Maltempo, referee.

Felix Nance, 131, New London, won a majority duke over Marcus Starks, 134, Hartford, eight.

Pepe Vasquez, 119, Hartford, halted Felix Marquez, 118, Hamden, in five.

Chi Chi Hernandez, 148, Hartford, outscored Marty Mattei, 145, Waterbury, six.

Tyrone Booze, 170, Hartford, outscored Earl McNeil, 165, Hartford, six.

Troy Wortham, 137, Hartford, halted Jose Ortiz, also 137, in four.

Milton Leaks, 145, Hartford, halted Pedro Torres, 143, Holyoke, Mass., at 1:07 of the first.

Elliot Williams, 147, Hartford, and Wayne Davis, 146, Hartford, drew, four.

Miguel Rosa, 158, Springfield, Mass., outpointed Jesus Monzon, 154, Hartford, four.

Officials—Sam Maltempo, Lou Bogash, Matt Mullaney.

Timekeeper—Lou Dell.

Ringside Physician—Steven Stein, M.D.

Announcer—Bob Steele.

Promoter—Championship Promotions.

Matchmaker—Vito Tallarita.

Attendance—2,530. Gross—$35.070.

(01-07-83)

JOSEPH CASSANO

FLORIDA

▲ **MIAMI BEACH—Convention Center—**Steve Whetstone, 113, Homestead, Fla., won a unanimous decision over Juan Nieves, also 113, Puerto Rico, 10. The flashy Whetstone won as he pleased, scoring a knockdown in the seventh.

Dexter Smith, 147, Homestead, knocked out Isidoro Moreno, 148¼, in 0:17 of the eighth in their 10-rounder, Moreno was floored twice in the seventh in this upset.

Eduardo Lugo, 137, Cuba, won a unanimous decision over footrunner Ricky Wallace, 134, Miami, 10.

Wilfredo Padron, 115, Venezuela, won a split decision over game but slightly outclassed Gabriel Sepulveda, also 115, Chile, 10.

Willie Martinez, 126, Miami, TKO'd John Curry, also 126, Miami, at 2:20 of the second round in a scheduled four.

Juan Narveals, 147, Miami, outpointed Ike Hooks, 151, Miami, four.

Promoter—Felix Zabala.

Attendance—1,220.

(12-11-83)

▲ **FT. LAUDERDALE—Galt Ocean Mile Hotel—**The Galt's spacious ballroom, with a seating capacity of 900, was turned into a fight arena for the first time and played to a capacity crowd.

Larry Byrd, 149, Miami, floored Raul Hernandez, 153, Cuba, thrice in the fourth round, the last time for the count in 2:40. A left hook was the knockout punch. It was Byrd's 11th straight kayo.

Ray Dennis, 127, Ft. Lauderdale, won a unanimous decision over Carlos Albuerne, 131, Miami, six, in the best fight of the night.

Emilio Diaz, 148, Miami, and Art Johnson, 146½, Ft. Lauderdale, drew, six.

Mike Perkins, 203, Miami, kayoed Greg Henderson, 198, Deerfield Beach, in 2:20 of the second round in a scheduled four.

Rocky DiLorenzo, 155, Miami, made his pro debut by holding Dexter Bowman, 154, Miami, to a draw, four.

James Thomas, 158, Ft. Lauderdale, won a unanimous decision over Yaqui Ocuna, 155, Belle Glade, four.

Sean Mannion boxed a three-round exhibition with Al Cook.

Willie Pep Promotions.

Promoter—Al Tisi.

Attendance—940.

(01-07-83)

LOUIS ZIPKIN

ILLINOIS

▲ **CHICAGO—Aragon Ballroom**—Johnny Lira, 141, now fighting out of Detroit, headlined promoter Ernie Terrell's final show of 1982 and won a split duke over Carl Crowley, also 141, Davenport, Iowa, 10. The sparse crowd quickly made known its displeasure with the verdict. Crowley had shown up three pounds too heavy at the noon weigh in, but a quick steam bath soon helped him shed his surplus.

Mike Brothers, 175¼, Chicago, won a split decision over Elvis Parks, 170, Chicago, eight. Both boxed beautifully, and it was a shame that someone had to lose.

Veabro Boykin, 145, Chicago, knocked out Terry Russell, 150, Sterling, Ill., in 1:00 of the second round in a scheduled six.

Jose Ruiz, 138½, Chicago, won a split decision over Henry Mobley, 138, Chicago, six.

Four-rounders: Moses Jacobs, 157, Chicago, halted Emmanuel Ward, 153½, Chicago, at 2:04 of the fourth round. Khoren Perzigian, 176, Waukegan, stopped Anton Hibbler, 170, Gary, Ind., at 2:45 of round three. Pete Podgorski, 149, Chicago, TKO'd Stan Cooper, Chicago at 2:08 of the fourth. Harry Allen, 165, Detroit, won a unanimous verdict over Gary Jones, 170½, Milwaukee. Gene Dyker, 193, Elmhurst, Ill., kayoed James Rankin, 175, Cincinnati, in 1:18 of round two.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Brian O'Shea.

Judges—Al Tremari, Mike Glienna, Bill Lerch, Harold Marovitz.

Timekeeper—Mike Murphy.

Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.

Announcer—Angelo Buscaglia.

Promoter—Ernie Terrell.

Attendance—455.

(12-13-82)

▲ **CHICAGO—Bismarck Hotel**—Illinois' last show for 1982 featured a pair of 10-round bouts involving Chicago's two greatest drawing cards: John Collins and Lenny LaPaglia. These dynamic and hard punching middleweights are heading for a showdown.

Both fighters scored kayoes. Collins, 160½, stopped Leroy McFadden, 153, Kansas City, Kansas, at 1:41 of the second, and LaPaglia, 161, halted Darryl Hollowell, 162, Kansas City, Mo., at 2:51 of the first. Collins is now 26-0 with 24 kayoes. LaPaglia is 18-0—all knockouts.

Charles Allen, 191, Chicago, knocked out Clarende Osbey, 184, Milwaukee, in 0:28 of the first round in a scheduled eight.

Pajarito Marquez, 128, kayoed fellow Chicagoan Howard Smith, 126, in 0:28 of the third round in their scheduled eight.

Mike Landini, 155, Chicago, TKO'd Don Myart, 156, Joliet, who was unable to answer the bell for round four of a scheduled six. Landini is now 12-0.

Victor Mobley, 133¼, Chicago, won a unanimous decision over Sam Matos, 135, Chicago, five.

Troy Townsend, 125, Milwaukee, won a split decision over Emilio Sotomayor, 124, Cuba, four.

Danny Blake, 155, Milwaukee, won a split nod over Johnny Heard, 160, Chicago, four.

Referees—Stanley Berg, Nate Morgan.

Judges—James DiVito, John Ricci, Al Tremari, Harding McCain.

Timekeeper—Kenny Kinch.

Ringside Physician—Glenn Bynum, M.D.

Announcer—Angelo Buscaglia.

Promoter—Cedric Kushner.

Attendance—1,190.

(12-19-82)

BOB SODERMAN

INDIANA

▲ **INDIANAPOLIS—Sherwood Hotel**—Indy's first club show of 1983 featured a scheduled six-rounder in which Wilbert (Vampire) Johnson, 153½, Indianapolis, TKO'd Bruce (The Mouse) Strauss, 154, Neola, Iowa, at 2:25 of round two. The Vampire floored his opponent with a chopping right. Strauss was up before the mandatory eight-count, but referee Joe Sgro stopped the bout. The stoppage was very unpopular—with both the crowd and The Mouse.

Four-rounders: Elbert Edison, 175, Indianapolis, outpointed James Wilder, 173, Milwaukee. Rudy Fuentes, 138, Milwaukee, TKO'd Charles Vogel, 140, Champaign, Illinois, at 2:56 of the second. Gary Gamble, 136, Indianapolis, TKO'd Kenny Jackson, 137, Indianapolis, at 1:16 of the first round. Reggie Hatcher, 157, Indianapolis, kayoed George Reedy, 153, Terre Haute, Indiana, 0:47 of the first. Mark Wickliff, 200, Indianapolis, outpointed Lewis Papen, 189, Grand Island, Nebraska. Mike Pollitt, 156, New Lisbon, Indiana, outscored Al (Iron Man) Hughes, 155, Selma, Ind.

Promoters—Fred Berns and Marty Waigand in association with Slim Productions.

Matchmaker—Pete Susens.

Attendance—400 (est.).

(01-25-83)

GARY L. MERRITT

MAINE

▲ **WATERVILLE—Armory**—Rick Craney, 145, Bath, Maine, won a unanimous decision over Dave (The Animal) DiZoglio, 147, Lowell, Mass., in the eight-round main event.

Popeye Quirion, 150, Waterville, outpointed hustling Luis Ortiz, 147, Lowell, six.

Don Bickford, 162, Skowhegan, outscored Hector Cruz, 168, Lowell, in the four-round opener.

The card opened with five amateur bouts, and there was a six-rounder between two local female pros that had the audience roaring. Cheryl Brown, 125, Winslow, won a unanimous decision over Lori Holt, 120, Oakland, in a bout marked by numerous toe-to-toe exchanges.

Promoter—Gerlad Thompson/K.O. Productions.

Attendance—350 (est.).

(01-28-83)

GENE WEEKS

MICHIGAN

▲ **FLINT—UAW Hall 659**—14 Round Promotions presented a seven-bout boxing card, and one exhibition kickboxing bout, before a small turnout. Other than the feature bout, the card was well balanced and very entertaining. The card featured five Flint fighters, two of which were Ron and Joe Byrd, Jr., the sons of former fighter and matchmaker for this card, Joe Byrd, Sr.

Joe Jr. had a fast paced war with Clarence Osby, 174, Milwaukee. Unfortunately for Joe, also 174, several rights in the third opened up a nasty cut and forced the fight to be stopped at 1:32 of the round, giving Osby a third round TKO victory.

Ronnie Byrd had better luck, as the 124-pounder gave away six pounds to Walter Cowan Jr., 130, Milwaukee, and still gave him a boxing lesson, pounding out a four-round decision to move to 2-0.

Also moving to 2-0 was Derrick McGuire, 137, Ann Arbor as he turned in a smooth and confident stoppage of Flint's Ron Carson, also 137, who was making his pro debut, at 1:36 of the second canto.

Bay City's action duo stayed undefeated as last minute fill ins. Monte Oswald, 160, handed a sound six-round thrashing to Steve St. Charles, 166, Flint. Oswald put St. Charles down in the third, fourth, and fifth rounds. Southpaw Glen Smith, 147, made short work of Grand Rapids' veteran Willie McIntosh, 141, putting him away at 2:03 of the opening frame. A solid left hand by Smith still has the Hall echoing from McIntosh's head

UNITED STATES RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Greg Page (Kentucky)
1. Mike Weaver (California)
2. Renaldo Snipes (New York)
3. Pinklon Thomas (Pennsylvania)
4. Gerry Cooney (New York)
5. Randall (Tex) Cobb (Texas)
6. Tim Witherspoon (Pennsylvania)
7. John Tate (Tennessee)
8. James Tillis (Illinois)
9. Leon Spinks (Pennsylvania)
10. James Broad (New Jersey)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Jerry Martin (Pennsylvania)
1. Eddie Mustafa Muhammad (New York)
2. Matthew Saad Muhammad (Pennsylvania)
3. Eddie Davis (New York)
4. Carlos DeLeon (Puerto Rico)
5. John Davis (New York)
6. Marvin Johnson (Indiana)
7. Jerry Celestine (Louisiana)
8. Pete McIntyre (California)
9. Niva Tofaeono (California)
10. Marvin Camel (Montana)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Dwight Davison (Michigan)
1. Wilford Scypion (Texas)
2. Frank Fletcher (Pennsylvania)
3. James Shuler (Pennsylvania)
4. James Green (New Jersey)
5. Bernard Mays (Michigan)
6. James Kinchen (California)
7. Vinnie Curto (Massachusetts)
8. Bobby Czyz (New Jersey)
9. Ray Seales (Washington)
10. Curtis Parker (Pennsylvania)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Sean Mannion (Massachusetts)
1. Wilfred Benitez (Puerto Rico)
2. Tony Ayala, Jr. (Texas)
3. Clint Jackson (Tennessee)
4. Mike McCallum (New York)
5. Gary Guiden (Indiana)
6. James Green (New York)
7. Fred Hutchings (California)
8. Rocky Fratto (New York)
9. Mark Medal (New Jersey)
10. Buster Drayton (Pennsylvania)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Milton McCrory (Michigan)
1. Marlon Starling (Connecticut)
2. Roger Stafford (Pennsylvania)
3. Kevin Howard (Pennsylvania)
4. Bobby Joe Young (Ohio)
5. Pete Ranzany (California)
6. Luis Resto (New York)
7. Mark Harris (New Jersey)
8. Milton Guest (New York)
9. Sean O'Grady (Oklahoma)
10. Robert Sawyer (Washington, D.C.)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Bumphus (Tennessee)
1. Saoul Mamby (New York)
2. Steve Hearon (Texas)
3. Bruce Curry (Texas)
4. Billy Costello (New York)
5. Ronnie Shields (Texas)
6. Willie Rodriguez (Pennsylvania)
7. Alfredo Escalera (Puerto Rico)
8. Harry Arroyo (Ohio)
9. Simon Brown (Washington, D.C.)
10. Gene Hatcher (Texas)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Howard Davis, Jr. (New York)
1. Edwin Rosario (Puerto Rico)
2. Andy Ganigan (Hawaii)
3. Livingstone Bramble (New Jersey)
4. Ken Bogner (New Jersey)
5. Roberto Elizondo (Texas)
6. Greg Coverson (Michigan)
7. Jimmy Paul (Michigan)
8. Melvin Paul (Louisiana)
9. Tyrone Crawley (Washington, D.C.)
10. James Busceme (Texas)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
John Verderosa (New York)
1. Hector Camacho (New York)
2. Samuel Serrano (Puerto Rico)
3. Rolando Navarrete (Hawaii)
4. Johnny De La Rosa (Florida)
5. Ruben Munoz (Texas)
6. Tony Santana (New York)
7. Rafael Solis (Puerto Rico)
8. Hector Cortes (California)
9. Kelvin Lampkin (California)
10. Tyrone Jackson (New York)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Ruben Castillo (California)
1. Rocky Lockridge (New Jersey)
2. Jose Caba (California)
3. Bernard Taylor (Tennessee)
4. Jackie Beard (Michigan)
5. Irving Mitchell (California)
6. Bernabe Montanez (Puerto Rico)
7. Paul DeVorce (New York)
8. Rocky Garcia (California)
9. Richard Savage (Louisiana)
10. Gino Gelormino (New York)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Mike Ayala (New York)
1. Jaime Garza (California)
2. Carmelo Negron (New York)
3. Alberto Mercado (Puerto Rico)
4. Oscar Muniz (California)
5. Jose Canizales (Texas)
6. Lenny Valdez (Nevada)
7. Jose Parilla (Puerto Rico)
8. Jose Lopez (California)
9. Vince Christian (Pennsylvania)
10. Diego Rosario (New Jersey)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Johnny Carter (Pennsylvania)
1. Albert Davila (California)
2. Oscar Muniz (California)
3. Gaby Canizales (Texas)
4. Richard Sandoval (California)
5. Harold Petty (Texas)
6. Freddie Jackson (Texas)
7. James Pipps (Texas)
8. Victor Callejas (Puerto Rico)
9. James Manning (Oregon)
10. Ruben Solario (Puerto Rico)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Willie Jensen (Nevada)
1. Felix Castillo (Texas)
2. Alonso Gonzales (California)
3. Joey Olivo (California)
4. Orlando Maldonado (Puerto Rico)
5. Jerome Coffee (Tennessee)
6. Steve Whetstone (Florida)
7. Ian Clyde (California)
8. Ramon Perez (Puerto Rico)
9. Norberto Castellanos (Texas)
10. Cipriano Arreola (California)

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LATIN AMERICAN RATINGS
BY THE LATIN AMERICAN BOXING FEDERATION
(AS OF JANUARY 31, 1982)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Luis Acosta (Argentina)
1. Bernardo Mercado (Colombia)
2. Gilberto Acuna (Costa Rica)
3. Domingo D'Elia (Argentina)
4. Luis Figueroa (Argentina)
5. Ruben Zamorro (Argentina)
6. Jorge Flores (Argentina)
7. Wendell Joseph (Trinidad)
8. Eddie Lopez (Mexico)
9. Eusebio Hernandez (Mexico)
10. Wandelmar Paulino (Brazil)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Miguel Cea (Chile)
1. Jorge V. Salgado (Argentina)
2. Tomas Polo (Colombia)
3. Antonio Garrido (Chile)
4. Stanley Williams (Sint Maarten)
5. David Cabrera (Mexico)
6. Luis Mora (Ecuador)
7. Abel Bailone (Argentina)
8. Felipe Guzman (Peru)
9. Ibi Zimmerman (Guyana)
10. Carlos Flores (Uruguay)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Jacinto Hernandez (Argentina)
1. Manuel E. Zambrano (Colombia)
2. Dunio Mercado (Eduador)
3. Marcelo Quinones (Peru)
4. Joaquin Macias (Mexico)
5. Hugo Corro (Argentina)
6. Antonio Montano (Curacao)
7. Marcos Geraldo (Mexico)
8. Sigfredo Colorado (Colombia)
9. Ruben Pardo (Argentina)
10. Jose Baquedano (Mexico)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Patricio Diaz (Argentina)
1. Emiliano Villa (Colombia)
2. Alejandro Garrido (Chile)
3. Kenny Bristol (Guyana)
4. Pedro Lavalle (Peru)
5. David Noel (Trinidad)
6. Inocencio (Mao) de la Rosa (Dom Rep.)
7. Rafael Donado (Colombia)
8. Walter Gomez (Argentina)
9. Hugo Rengifo (Venezuela)
10. Jose Vallejo (Dominican Rep.)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Fernando Rocco Castro (Peru)
1. Jose Joaquin Baret (Dominican Rep.)
2. Eduardo Rodriguez (Panama)
3. Alfonso Torres (Colombia)
4. Pedro Gallardo (Peru)
5. Antonio Espinal (Dominican Rep.)
6. Mauricio Bravo (Venezuela)
7. Victor Nilo (Chile)
8. Segundo Murillo (Eduador)
9. Pipino Cuevas (Mexico)
10. Frank Albertus (Curacao)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Mercedes Espinosa (Peru)
1. Reyes Antonio Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
2. Agustin Caballero (Panama)
3. Jose Angulo (Colombia)
4. Ricardo Alfaro (Argentina)
5. Adriano (Nani) Marrero (Dominican Rep.)
6. Jesus Nava (Venezuela)
7. Alfredo Estrada (Peru)
8. Vianey Ruiz (Costa Rica)
9. Carlos Lavalle (Peru)
10. Guillermo Fernandez (Venezuela)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Orlando Romero (Peru)
1. Sergio Alvarez (Colombia)
2. Nelson Bolanos (Ecuador)
3. Ramon Cotua (Venezuela)
4. Julio Ruiz II (Panama)
5. Roberto Bido (Dominican Rep.)
6. Rafael Williams (Panama)
7. Eduardo Valdez (Colombia)
8. Juan Carrion (Peru)
9. Wilber Delgado (Costa Rica)
10. Saul Julio (Colombia)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Jose Vidal (Dominican Rep.)
1. Gustavo de la Cruz (Dominican Rep.)
2. Wilson Arias (Colombia)
3. Denys Moran (Nicaragua)
4. Jose Morales (Costa Rica)
5. Geronimo Luque (Dominican Rep.)
6. Ezequiel (Cocoa) Sanchez (Dominican Rep.)
7. Jorge Alvarado (Panama)
8. Benedicto Villablanca (Chile)
9. Hernando Mullo (Ecuador)
10. Oscar Arnal (Venezuela)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Victor Torres (Peru)
1. Francisco Fernandez (Panama)
2. Idabeth Rojas (Colombia)
3. Guillermo Morales (Mexico)
4. Pascual Patterson (Panama)
5. Michael Drayton (Trinidad)
6. Jose Monita Jimenez (Dominican Rep.)
7. Mario Miranda (Colombia)
8. Patrick Ford (Guyana)
9. Carlos Pinango (Venezuela)
10. Hipolito Nunez (Argentina)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Cleo Garcia (Nicaragua)
1. Jefferson Gomez (Colombia)
2. Alamiro Montalvo (Ecuador)
3. Luis Pastor Alvarez (Argentina)
4. Marcelo Beckford (Panama)
5. Mario Wilson (Nicaragua)
6. Juan Araneda (Chile)
7. Carlos Romero (Venezuela)
8. Esteban Bustos (Argentina)
9. Felipe Orozco (Colombia)
10. Raul Gonzalez (Venezuela)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Benito Badilla (Chile)
1. Ruben Dario Palacio (Colombia)
2. Norberto Cabrera (Mexico)
3. Ricardo Bennett (Panama)
4. Cesar Zeballos (Peru)
5. Edgar Roman (Venezuela)
6. Tommy Valoy (Dominican Rep.)
7. Gardenio Ulloa (Chile)
8. Jose Narvaez (Argentina)
9. Felix Madrigal (Costa Rica)
10. Miguel Maturana (Colombia)

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Julio Soto Solano (Dominican Rep.)
1. Jose de la Caridad Lopez (Panama)
2. Carlos Gutierrez (Venezuela)
3. Modesto Gomez (Nicaragua)
4. Daniel Cassan Soloano (Costa Rica)
5. Miguel Lora (Colombia)
6. Elpidio de Paula (Dominican Rep.)
7. Adelaido Galindo (Mexico)
8. Felix Colman (Argentina)
9. Pedro Romero (Venezuela)
10. Carlos Alvarez (Venezuela)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Sugar Bevis Rojas (Colombia)
1. Bernardino Moreno (Panama)
1. Ramon Sordito Nerys (Dominican Rep.)
2. Virgilio Palomo (Colombia)
3. Segundo Toledo (Peru)
4. Gabriel Bernal (Mexico)
5. Pedro Flores (Mexico)
6. Oscar Bolivar (Colombia)
7. Guillermo Acevedo (Chile)
8. Hector Rey Melendez (Dominican Rep.)
9. Ernesto Sanchez (Dominican Rep.)
10. Gabriel Sepulveda (Chile)

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Jose Badilla (Chile)
1. Rafael Avispa Cabrera (Dominican Rep.)
2. Leonardo Paredes (Panama)
3. Agustin Garcia (Colombia)
4. Luis Beltran (Chile)
5. Rodolfo Rodriguez (Argentina)
6. Marcos Gomez (Nicaragua)
7. Rene Valiente (San Salvador)
8. Luis Beltran (Chile)
9. Santos Hoo (Panama)
10. Hector Rey Melindez (Dominican Rep.)

bouncing off the canvas. Both Smith and Oswald are now 7-0; McIntosh drops to 10-10-2.

Lamont Hopkins, 156, Flint, was very lucky in securing a sixth-round draw with Danny Blake, 164, Milwaukee. The judges scored it 60-56, Blake; 58-56, Hopkins, and 58-58. *THE RING* scored it 59-55, Blake.

The featured bout had Floyd Mayweather, 153, Grand Rapids raise his record to 24-3-1 with an embarrassing 10-round decision of hotdogging, holding, and just plain boring showmanship over a 0-3 prelim fighter, Gary Jones, 161, Milwaukee, who had never been past four rounds before. Jones was so tired after the sixth round that he would hit and hold for survival. Other than this bout, the card was a good one, although the lack of advertising brought *in* few fans.

Promoter—Frank Valenzano
Matchmaker—Joe Bryd Sr.
Judges—Ray Randall and Rose Grable.
Referees—Richard Dicks and Dale Grable.

This was the first time I saw Grable as a referee, and he was outstanding. He had complete voice control of his fights and seldom had to touch the fighters.

Attendance—53.
(01-19-83)

▲ WYANDOTTE—Yack Arena—GWS Promotions (former Michigan State Athletic Board of Control Chairman Bob Watson) presented their second boxing card to the fans, which highlighted the return to action of former WBA lightweight champion Hilmer Kenty. Prior to the start of the program, it was announced by Dr. Stuart Kirschenbaum, the current Chairperson of the Michigan State Athletic Board of Control, that, by executive action, Michigan has now instituted the standing eight count in professional as well as amateur ranks.

Hilmer Kenty, 138, Detroit, made his first appearance as a junior welterweight and had little trouble handling James Martinez, also 138, Odessa, Texas. Although Kenty controled the bout completely, registering 100-90 on all three judges scorecards, he never really had Martinez in any kind of trouble. In his best round, the ninth, Kenty rocked Martínez twice with right hands and once with a solid left hook. This was a critical bout for Kenty, now 23-2, who has found that he must prove himself all over after having quit in his bout last year with Roberto Elizondo after two rounds. It was felt that it may have been low blood sugar and he has been treated for it. He looked good in his contest against Martinez, stalking using his left jab, and following up with his right in combinations.

The undercard was also good. Looking very sharp was Highland Park's Darnell Knox, 149½, who made it 11-0 with a smooth right-to-the-body-and-right-to-the-head move to level Tommy (Tiger) May, 147½, Akron, at 2:15 of the second canto for a TKO win. Knox has looked very impressive his last few times out.

A grudge rematch between "Irish" Brett Lally, 141, Westland and Dan Montalvo, 136¾, Lansing, proved to be a wild swinging affair, as Lally scored a three round TKO victory at 2:26. Lally improved his record to 9-1, but, as good as the bout was, the thing of note about this contest was when referee Ed Saucedo gave Dan Montalvo the first standing eight-count (legitimately) in the state of Michigan.

A heavy hitting affair had Stan White, 164, Grand Rapids, stop Terry Flickenger, 166, Muskegon, at 2:40 of the fourth. White is 4-0 and Flickenger, handled by Kenny Lane, was making his pro debut.

Wayne (Troubleman) Powell, 152½, Detroit, improved his record to 11-0 by stopping Larry McFadden, 153¾, Kansas City, at 0:34 of the second stanza. McFadden drops to 5-3.

The opening contest saw an improving Spencer (The Warrior) Chavis, 184¼, Dearborn Heights, make his pro log 4-0 with a fourth-round decision over Bill Hollis, 176, Pontiac. It was a good warm up bout, with Chavis opening a cut on Hollis in the second and dropping him in the third.

Promoter—Bob Watson.
Matchmaker—Lindy Lindell (good job).
Judges—Dr. Stuart Kirschenbaum, Ken Offet, Chuck Fecay.
Referees—Ed Saucedo, Frank Barbarich.
Announcer—TV commercial star George Young, who kept the fans entertained with his amusing banter.
Attendence—1,800.
(01-28-83)

DAVE HARTOON

NEW JERSEY

▲ WILLINGBORO—John F. Kennedy High School — New promoter Joe Tete got his feet wet with a small budget card at this suburban South Jersey community. The fights were decent, but the slim crowd of around 350 was a disappointment. It is not known whether Tete will return to this venue or not.

In the main event, Bruce Williams, 138¼, Palmyra, New Jersey, won a split decision over Allen Braswell, 140, New York, New York, eight. Williams' long overhand right was more effective than Braswell's jabbing and earned Bruce the nod by tallies of 7-1 and 4-3-1. Braswell took the other card, 5-3. Zack Clayton, referee.

Andre Boyer, 140, Lindenewold, New Jersey, won via disqualification at 1:46 of the fourth round in a scheduled six when Jorge Nina, 139½, Passaic, New Jersey, was ousted for hitting low.

Stan McDougal, 139½, Philadelphia, scored a unanimous decision over Alfredo (Chino) Rivera, 142, Trenton, in an action-packed four.

Angel Sindo, 146, Camden, drew over four with Lawrence Roy, 143, Camden. It was the pro debut for both.

Mark Yow, 160, New York, won a unanimous four-round decision over Clarence Goodwin, 151, Philadelphia. A left hook dropped the loser for an eight-count in the third.

Former heavyweight contender Duane Bobick made his debut as a referee, working McDougal-Rivera and Boyer-Nina. Rudy Battle handled Yow-Goodwin and Sindo Roy.

Judges—William Kostrub, Milo Savage, and Frances Moore.
(01-08-83)

▲ ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino — Gifted prospect Maurice (Thin Man) Blocker travelled the 10-round distance for the first time in his unbeaten career, scoring a unanimous decision over Roberto Hernandez. It was just the sort of learning fight Blocker needed to season his game. Hernandez was tough enough and smart enough to extend Maurice the entire way, letting him know that all opponents will not roll over and play dead the first time they get tagged.

Hernandez, 144½, Lynn, Mass., proved to be a tricky target with his movement and hands-high defense. When Blocker connected with his whistling rights and vicious left hooks to the body, Roberto absorbed them whith no outward sign of distress and punched back with vigor. He also made sure Blocker, 145½, Washington, D.C., paid for his mistakes, popping him with clean rights on several occasions. All in all, a fine contest.

Blocker, now 10-0, with seven knockouts, won going away by scores of 10-0, 9-0-1, but never had it easy. Hernandez, who slipped to 10-5-2, just four knockouts, is better than his record would indicate. He recently held undefeated Michael Bradley to a draw at Playboy's and would be welcome back.

Referee Duane Bobick and New Jersey Athletic Commissioner Jersey Joe Walcott teamed up to butcher the eight-round semi-final between Stanley Ross and Woody Clark, almost causing a riot among the disgruntled patrons.

Ross, 187, Philadelphia, outpunched old-timer Clark, 194, Fayetteville, N.C., for most of the first seven rounds, dumping him with a right to the head for a brief count in the fourth. Clark was willing, but his reflexes were just not quick enough to catch Ross.

Then, in the eighth, Woody pressured Ross into the ropes and landed a couple of hard head shots that bloodied Stanley's mouth and turned his legs to jello. Bobick immediately jumped in and called a halt, awarding Clark a TKO. Ross was in trouble, but as he was clearly ahead and still fighting back, Bobick's move was premature to say the least.

The fans started to boo and Walcott compounded his referee's mistake by ordering the fighters back into action. This futher incensed the crowd as Ross, revived by the rest, lasted the remainder of the round to win by scores of 7-1, 6-2, and 5-3. In an attempt to patch up their sins, the NJSAC has ordered a rematch.

Frank Montgomery, 143½, Philadelphia, blasted out Pablo Rivera, 141¼, Bronx, with a flurry of blows at 1:06 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Arthur Hall, 176¾, Irvington, N.J., edged Alex DeLucia, 178¾, Portland, Oregon, via split decision over four. This one could have been called either way.

Joe Williams, 146, Camden, won a unanimous decision over Greg Wanamaker, 148¼, Camden, four.

Jerome Johnson, 157, Jackson, N.J., scored a TKO over Herb Tolbert, 158½, Detroit, at 2:55 of the first round in a scheduled four. Referee Bobick also blew this one, stopping it too soon.

Referee Joe O'Neill handled Williams-Wanamaker, Montgomery-Rivera, and the main event. Bobick worked the Hall-DeLucia match without incident.

Judges—William Carroz, Phil Newan and Al DeVito.
Promoter—Elbaum-Menas Productions.
Attendance—1,200 (est.).
(01-11-83)

▲ ATLANTIC CITY—Resorts International Hotel Casino — Philadelphia welterweight contender Kevin Howard looked overweight and uninspired struggling to a unanimous 10-round decision over unrated Jose Vallejo. Although Howard was never in danger of losing, he failed to demonstrated the fire and conditioning that brought him five straight wins and a world

ranking during the 1982 season. At 152½, Kevin simply isn't the same fighter he is at the welter limit. It should also be noted that Vallejo was no pushover. He came to fight and gave a good account of himself.

Howard was the aggressor throughout, pressuring Vallejo, 146½, around the ring. Although he found the shifty Dominican hard to pin down, Kevin's powerful right found the mark in most of the early rounds. The follow-up punches, however, seldom materialized. Vallejo moved and countered only trading punch-for-punch when trapped on the ropes.

The sixth was Howard's best session. He opened fast, connecting with two crunching combos to the head during the opening moments. He continued his attack the entire three minutes, hurting Jose with three rights to the body, but never putting him down.

The fight settled into a predictable pattern after the sixth round fireworks. Howard chased and Vallejo ran. Two more solid rights to the head in the 10th was the closest Kevin came to hurting Jose again.

The scores of 9-1 and 7-3 twice (all for Howard) were an accurate reflection of the fight, but didn't tell the whole story. Howard, now 18-2-1 (10 kayoes), had better get down to some serious training is he's to continue his rise. Vallejo dropped to 27-7 (13 kayoes).

Earl (The Pearl) Hargrove lived up to his reputation, chalking up his 21st knockout in as many starts with a TKO over Greg Stephens at 2:24 of the second. It had been scheduled for 10.

Hargrove, 155, Phila., tore out of his corner at the opening bell and jerked Stephens' head back with a left jab that started the onslaught. Earl never eased off after that, nailing his man with one shot after another until he was called off. Stephens, 151¾, Los Angeles, never even got started.

In the best fight of the night, Calvin (Pop) Porter, 150½, survived a second-round knockdown to rally and squeak past Ernest Jackson, 148¼, for an eight-round split decision. Jackson caught the powerful Porter coming in with a left hook in the second and dropped him for an automatic eight-count. Pop beat the count and from then on it was nip-and-tuck, with both men taking turns dishing out punishment. Jackson tired down the stretch, allowing Porter to edge the verdict, two votes to one.

In another scheduled eight, Dan Harold, 151, Vineland, N.J., busted up Al Ferro, 148¾, Phila., for a fifth-round TKO. Ferro failed to answer the bell for the sixth and under New Jersey rules it is considered a fifth round stoppage.

Unbeaten Calvin Grove, 126¼, Pottstown, Pa., ran his log to 8-0 (five kayoes) with a six-round unanimous decision over Ray Evans, 127½, Phila., in a lively affair.

Kelvin Kelly, 174, Phila., won a unanimous decision over David Royster, 169¼, Pottstown, four.

Mike Sheeran, 160¼, Phila., scored a unanimous decision over hopeless Leo Martinez, 167, Phila., four.

Referee Zack Clayton handled Hargrove-Stephens, Porter-Jackson, Harold-Ferro, and Sheeran-Martinez. Frank Capuccino worked Howard-Vallejo, Grove-Evans, and Kelly-Royster.

Judges—Tommy Kcazmarek, Harold Lederman and Richard F. Murry.

Televised live over the PRISM cable network.

Promoter—Peltz Boxing Promotions, Inc.

Attendance—1,000 (est.)

(01-13-83)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Sands Hotel Casino** — Undefeated junior middleweight prospect "Irish" Billy Collins traveled the 10-round distance for the first time in his 12-bout career (nine kayoes), scoring a unanimous decision over Dennis Horne in a free-swinging affair. Although Collins won with room to spare by scores of 7-2-1 and 7-3 twice, Horne bitterly contested every round to make for a highly entertaining fight.

Collins, 153½, Nashville, is getting a big build-up from Top Rank, but unless he learns to duck, he will get murdered the first time he faces a major league puncher. Horne, 150, Oklahoma City, (26-5, 17 kayoes), tagged Collins repeatedly with sucker rights to the head. Only the fact that Dennis is not that hard a hitter allowed Collins to prevail with his take-one-to-land-one-style.

Top Rank matchmaker, Teddy Brenner, claimed that Collins was suffering from a cold and not at full strength. Nevertheless, Billy was still able to walk through Horne's best shots and hammer his way to victory with a combination of pressure and two-fisted punching. Joe Cortez, referee.

In a scheduled eight, unbeaten Carlos (The Force) Tite, 166, Hammond, Indiana, scored a TKO over Ronnie Ford, 164½, Arlington, Texas, at 2:27 of the third. Ford was dumped by a left hook in the second and continued to take a pasting until rescued by referee Cortez. Tite is now 16-0 with 14 kayoes.

Anibal Ortiz, 119, New York, scored a TKO over Jeff Hannah, 120, Indianapolis, at 1:16 of the third round in a scheduled four. Hannah did well in the first, but suffered a bloody nose in the second that grew progressively worse and forced referee Cortez to call a halt.

Ticket-seller Dorian Melamed, 206, Pomona, New York, had a soft touch, belting out ancient Frankie Vann, 194, Bridgeport, Conn., for a TKO at 2:20 of the first round in their scheduled four. Rudy Battle, referee.

Norm Logan, 211½, West Orange, TKO'd the highly reluctant Josh Pompey, 198, Hackensack, at 0:35 of the second round in another scheduled four.

Gifted Darryl Anthony, 139, scored a clean knockout over veteran Marvin (Kid Harlem) Jenkins, Bronx, in 1:23 of the second in a scheduled eight. A left hook dropped the vastly-more experienced Jenkins for the count and lifted Anthony's record to 7-0 with five knockouts. Darryl is the only boxer to hold a win over amateur wiz Mark Breland. Referee Battle.

Mike Perkins, 202¼, Hallendale, Florida, TKO'd Ernie Singleton, 208½, Willingboro, N.J., at 2:33 of the first round in a scheduled four. Referee, Battle.

The card was carried live over the ESPN cable.

Judges—John Stewart, Eva Shain, Milo Savage.

Attendance—800 (capacity).

(01-20-83)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino** — Undefeated Simon Brown made his first start as a full-fledged welter a successful one, scoring a TKO over Ricardo Bryant at 2:42 of the seventh round in a scheduled 10. The victory pushed Brown's record to 12-0 with 10 knockouts.

Bryant, who was forced to shed four pounds to make 149½, fought well behind his sharp jab, but couldn't cope with Brown's left hooks to the stomach. A flurry of shots from Simon dumped Ricardo for an eight-count in the seventh, and, although he beat the count, referee Joe O'Neill stopped the fight after a subsequent volley crashed home.

"First I caught him with the one-two," explained Brown. "That set him up for the left uppercut. Then I finished him off with the short right."

Brown, 147, Washington, D.C., seems to be getting better each time out. This time next year, he could very well be a contender.

In the semi-final, Gerald Hayes, 132, East Orange, won a unanimous decision over Thomas Baker, 134, Washington, D.C., eight. Frank Capuccino, referee.

Anthony English, 128, Camden, N.J., TKO'd Leon Drummond, 128, Easton, Pa., at 0:36 of the sixth and final round. Referee, O'Neill.

Sam David, 118, a Colombian fighting out of Phillipsburg, N.J., kayoed Melvin Bethea, 123, Newark, N.J., in 0:34 of the second round in a scheduled four. Referee, Capuccino.

Andrew Schott, 161¼, New Paltz, N.Y., scored a unanimous decision over Benny Sims, 163, Youngstown, Ohio, four. Referee, Cappuccino.

Judges—Lawrence Wallace, John Stewart, Tommy Kaczmarek.

Elbaum-Menas Productions

(01-25-83)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino** — After his life-and-death struggle with well-used journeyman Leon (Night Life) McDonald, one can't help but wonder how Oscar Rivadeneyra became the WBA's second-ranked contender. Although Oscar won a lopsided decision by scores of 10-0, 8-2, and 7-1-2, he suffered a deep cut over his left eye in the seventh and was knocked down in the ninth. Hardly the sort of performance that adds credibility to Rivadeneyra's cause or the WBA ratings.

Rivadeneyra, 176¼, Vineland, N.J., methodically dominated McDonald, 177, Fort Lauderdale, Fl., over the first six rounds, dropping him for a brief count in the sixth with a left hook to the head. At the end of the round, referee Larry Hazzard noticed a rip in Oscar's left glove. This precipitated a lengthy delay while another matching set was found and laced on each fighter.

The break seemed to benefit McDonald and he rallied to split Rivadeneyra's eye open with a lancing right soon after action resumed. Then, in the ninth, he almost iced the Peruvian import with a similar blow to the chin.

Rivadeneyra went down hard, scrambled up too quickly and almost crashed into the ring post in his dazed condition. Lucky for Oscar, McDonald either wouldn't or couldn't follow up and let his only chance for victory slip away.

Things were back to normal in the 10th and Rivadeneyra closed well to win the nod and up his record to 18-0 with 14 kayoes.

"I didn't fight too well," acknowledged the winner through his interpretor. "I didn't feel 100 percent. I don't know why."

In the scheduled eight-round semi-final, Arnie Wells, 140, Davison, Michigan, came from behind to stop Jeff Passero, 141, Mitchellville, Md., at 1:18 of the last round. Wells took everything Passero threw at him and kept coming. His persistence was finally rewarded when Passero went down from a flush right to the face. He just beat referee Joe Cortez's count and was quickly rescued when the fired-up Wells nailed him with another combo to the head. Cortez ruled a clean knockout even though he never bothered to count over the stricken loser.

Lefthander Luis Gonzalez, 110¾, Bronx, scored a split decision over Terry Pizarro, 113½, Camden, S.C., in a hard-hitting six. Both men landed well and often in this entertaining brawl that could have gone either way.

Harry Daniels, 161, Carrollton, Ga., upset previously unbeaten Archie McMillian, 158¼, Phila., scoring a TKO in just 0:41 of the first round in a scheduled six. Former heavyweight champ Joe Frazier worked McMillian's corner, but it did Archie little good when Daniels dropped him twice with left hooks to the chin. Referee, Cortez.

Anibal Perez, 155¾, Camden, N.J., won a split decision over game Garry Hammonds, 155, Charlotte, N.C., in a lively four. Referee, Hazzard.

David Grayton, 130½, Washington, D.C., opened the excellent card with a TKO over Marty Kirkland, 127½, Phila., at 0:54 of the second round in their scheduled four. Referee, Cortez.

Judges—Ray Hoagland, Frank Cario and Bob Kimbrough.

Elbaum-Menas Productions.

Attendance—1,200 (est.).

(02-01-83)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Sands Hotel Casino**—Marlon (Magic Man) Starling conjured up his own special brand of pugilistic prestidigitation to expose previously unbeaten prospect Jose (The Threat) Baret, scoring a knockout at 2:20 of the fourth round of a scheduled 10. Baret, who entered the CBS televised welterweight contest sporting a sizzling 16-0 (15 kayoes) record, proved to be "no threat" whatsoever. As soon as Starling discovered that Jose couldn't fight backing up, it was all over.

Starling, who had looked decidedly unmagical dropping a split decision to Donald Curry in his last A.C. appearance, rushed out of his corner at the sound of the opening bell and tried to sneak Baret as he genuflected to make the sign of the cross. More startled than hurt, Jose quickly regained his composure and began to stalk Marlon, anxious to put across one of his big bombs.

There was far more motion than substance during the opening session. Starling fell after missing a wild swing and referee Arthur Mercante mistakenly called it a knockdown in Baret's favor. As it was, it was the closest Jose came to accomplishing any mischief.

A pretty double left hook to the face opened a cut under Baret's right eye in the second.Although the laceration was not particularly deep, Baret seemed unduely upset. The New York slugger, who is used to dishing it out, seemed practically aghast at the sight of his own blood.

The third round was fought at a brisk clip. Starling, 145½, Hartford, Conn., opened up and got the better of several exchanges, his faster hands and superior boxing skills making all the difference. At the round's end it was clear that Baret, 146, was in over his head.

Starling overwhelmed Baret in the fourth. Two left uppercuts to the head began a finishing barrage that ended when a pair of rights—one over and one under—crashed into poor Jose's chin and sent him down in his own corner. The loser took the full count in a squating position. He looked capable of getting up, but probably decided that enough was enough.

Marlon raised his record to 27-1 and scored his ninth kayo. He also pumped new life into a career that looked decidely jaded following his lackluster showing against Curry. For Baret, it's back to the drawing board and Felt Forum club fights.

Mark Medal, 153½, Jersey City, cleaned up on brave Freddie Creech, 155¾, Fayetteville, N.C., scoring a TKO at 0:48 of the fourth round in a scheduled 10. A right to the head dropped Creech just before the stoppage by referee Mercante.

In another 10, unbeaten Eddie Gregg, 210, New York, beat on mammoth Harold Rice, 286¼, Hartford, winning a unanimous decision. Although this was a one-sided exercise in sadism, the crowd loved watching Rice take his lumps. Frank Capuccino, referee.

In a six-round walkout bout, Robert Evans, 209, scored a unanimous over Johnnie Warr, 182½, New York.

Judges—Frank Brunette, Tommy Kaczmarek and John Stewart.

Promoter—Madison Square Garden.

Attendance—700 (est.).

(02-05-83)

▲ **ATLANTIC CITY—Tropicana Hotel Casino** — Marvis Frazier returned to the ring for the first time since he stopped Guy Casale way back in September of 1981, belting out sacrificial lamb Amos Haynes at 2:23 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight. A variety of medical problems, including viral hepatitis, had conspired to keep Marvis on the shelf, but if the SRO crowd that greeted his return is any indication, there is still plenty of glamor associated with the Frazier name.

It was hard to tell much against a hand-picked opponent such as Haynes, who entered the match with an "advertised" record of 8-8. Frazier, 198½, tore after him from the get go, firing left hooks as fast as he could cock and reload. At times, Marvis was too anxious, lunging off-balance in his eager attempts to tag his lanky target.

Haynes, 214, Youngstown, Ohio, looked a fish out of water, gulping and gasping every time Frazier landed—which was often. After four rounds of abuse, Amos went down from a right-hand haymaker. He beat referee Joe O'Neill's count, but raised his arms in a gesture of surender. It was victory number seven for Marvis and his fifth kayo.

Marvis said afterwards that he was pleased as long as "Pop" was pleased. Joe allowed that he was and everybody went home happy except poor old Amos.

In the official top-liner, Stanley Ross, 183, Phila., scored a unanimous decision over Bill Sharkey, 187, Howard Beach, New York, 10. Ted Pick, referee.

Clint Barnes, 190¾, Phila., won a unanimous decision over Lou Vallar, 198, Syracuse, New York, six. O'Neill, referee.

Earl Lewis, 190¼, Youngstown, scored a unanimous decision over John (The Baptist) LoFranco, 203½, Bronx, six. Referee, Pick.

Jim Leming, 184, Howell, N.J., looked unlucky to only receive a draw in his four-rounder with Bob Quarry, 198, Los Angeles.

Jimmy Degree, 188, Yonkers, won a unanimous decision over Understanding Allah (Yes, that's his name), 177, Newark, N.J., four.

Judges—Bill Kostrub, Al DeVito, Larry Wallace.

Elbaum-Menas Productions.

Attendance-1,300 (capacity).

(02-08-83)

NIGEL COLLINS

NEW YORK

▲ **NEW YORK CITY—Felt Forum**—Three inconsequential 10-round bouts headlined another one of matchmaker Harold Weston's marathon cards.

Juan Veloz, 121½, Chihuahua, Mexico, a southpaw, and Alberto Mercado, 124, Cayey, Puerto Rico, fought to a majority draw in their 10. Scoring: referee Tony Perez, 4-4-2; judge Ray Kozak, 5-5; judge Harold Lederman, 6-4, Veloz. *The Ring* agreed with Lederman. Mercado suffered a bad cut above the right eye. Veloz is now 19-3-2. Mercado is 17-1-1 with 12 kayoes.

Kevin Moley, 159, Selden, New York, TKO'd Jesus (Pecho) Castro, 161, Dominican Republic, at 1:18 of the fourth round in their scheduled 10. Moley is now 12-0 with 10 knockouts. Castro is 17-10 with 13 kayoes. Harold Valan, referee.

Alan Brasswell, 141, Brooklyn, knocked down Terry Silver once in the fourth round and twice more in the sixth before stopping him at 1:49 of the seventh in the other scheduled 10 round bout. Luis Rivera, referee. Brasswell is now 10-2-1 with six kayoes. Silver is 10-1-1 with seven knockouts.

Wilfredo Vasquez, 118, Bayamon, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Eugenio Paulino, also 118, Dominican Republic, at 1:14 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight. Vasquez was down in round two. Luis Rivera referee.

Ewart Chance, 119, Brooklyn, won a majority decision over Mike Rosario, 114, Bronx, six. Scoring: referee Perez and judge Lederman, both 4-2; judge Kozak, 2-2-2.

Jose Diaz, 155, Bronx, a southpaw, won a unanimous decision over Morton Johnson, 157, Bronx, six. Scoring: referee Valan, 5-1 (6-1 in points), judge Kozak, 6-0 (7-0); judge Lederman, 4-1-1 (4-1).

Raul (Cano) Abaladejo, 127, Puerto Rico, won a unanimous decision over Eddie Rosa, also 127, New York, four. Scoring: referee Valan and the judges all had it a 4-0 shutout, with judge Kozak giving Cano an additional point in round one.

Mike Martinez, 157, Brooklyn, won a unanimous decision over Ivor Simmons, 160, New York, four. All three officials had it 4-0, with referee Valan and judge Kozak handing in 6-0 point scores.

Elias Martinez, 135, Ponce, Puerto Rico, won a unanimous decision over Alberto Torres, Brooklyn, in the opening four-round slugfest. Scoring: all 3-1, with judge Kozak and judge Lederman handing in 5-2 and 3-2 point scores, respectively. Tony Perez, referee.

Timekeeper—Fred Abbatiello.

(02-04-83)

HERBERT G. GOLDMAN

OKLAHOMA

▲ **OKLAHOMA CITY—Hilton Inn West**—Richard (Dragon) Green, 160, Tulsa, TKO'd tough Joel Spitler, 162, Stillwater, Ok., in the fifth round of the scheduled eight-round main event. Leroy Miller, referee.

Tony Harrison, 163, Oklahoma City, knocked out Raymond Johnson, 161, Amarillo, Texas, in 2:15 of the first round.

Butch Sanders, Ft. Smith, Ark., and Perry Brown, Blanchard, Ok., drew, four. Scoring: referee Miller, 38-38; judge Gary Zanovich, 40-38, Sanders; judge Helen Pouter, 39-38, Brown. Sanders clearly won three rounds in this observer's view.

Jimmy Brown, 214, Blanchard, knocked out Lou Davis, 195, Muskogee, in 0:33 of round one.

Mike Lair, 161, Oklahoma City, kayoed Clyde Turner, 159, Lawton, Ok., in 2:15 of the first.

Virgil Moore, 144½, Oklahoma City, outscored Clementi Gibbs, 147, Tulsa, in the opener.

Top Contenders Productions, Inc.

Attendance—650 (est.)

(11-16-82)

▲ **TULSA—Rock Palace**—Bobby McGee, McAlester, knocked out Squirrel Barnes, Quapaw, Ok., in the second round of a scheduled light heavyweight four.

Dale (Apollo) Cook, Tulsa, kayoed Larry Smith, McAlester, in round three of a scheduled junior middleweight six.

Promoter—Dale (Apollo) Cook.

Attendance—200.

(11-21-82)

JAMES HUTTON

OREGON

▲ **PORTLAND—Marriot Hotel**—Charles (Machine Gun) Carter, 164, went to 12-1 with a kayo over Pasqual Ramirez, 162, in 1:27 of the first round. Ramirez came in claiming a 9-3-3 mark, but *The Ring Record Book* called him 6-6-3 at the end of '81, and his only known bout in '82 was a loss to Jeff Simms. Another corpse for Carter to batter. Too bad such talent as Carter's isn't being brought along.

Tony Thomas, 153, Portland, outpointed Noe Ramirez, 154, Seattle, six.

Willie Montana, 132, Hamilton, Montana, made his pro debut by boxing to a four-round draw with Lorenzo Garcia, 126, Caldwell, Idaho.

Don (Cobra) Rutledge, 183, Hamilton, Montana, debuted with a clumsy but complete TKO over previously unbeaten Andy Brown, 185, Portland, at 2:25 of the second.

Davey Montana, 143, TKO'd Guy Pennington, 142, of Seattle, in the fourth round.

Sam Wilson, 147, Portland, won a split decision over Rene Garcia, 136, Caldwell, Idaho, four.

Referees—Jim Cassidy, Bill Thornberg.

Judges—Ron Valeu, George Robinson, and the alternate ref.

Promoter—Dolores McNally (Sports Attractions, Inc.)

(12-02-82)

▲ **EUGENE—Lane County Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall**—"Sweet Baby" James Manning, 114, won a unanimous decision over 4' 10" Cipriano Arreola, 111, Los Angeles, 10. The 5' 6" Manning had to punch down throughout the fight.

"Golden" Guy Villegas, 131, Eugene, won a majority decision over Gregg Tripplett, also 131, Los Angeles, eight. Tripplett put Villegas on the deck in the first session, but Guy jumped up quick, and the ref called it a slip. Villegas went down again for an eight-count, but still pulled out the win.

Victor Deloney, 154, Seattle, TKO'd Micah (The Gypsy Cowboy) True, also 154, Eugene, at 1:12 of the first round in a scheduled six.

Scott Rougenville, 138, Portland, won a unanimous decision over Dave Marney, 136½, Eugene, four. Marney broke his right hand in the first round.

Tim Felty, 158, Eugene, knocked out Tony (The Assassin) Thomas, also 158, Portland, with a short hook in 1:27 of the second in a scheduled four-rounder.

Referee—Bill Thornberg.

Promoter—Rich Danner (Sports-Plex USA).

(12-10-82)

▲ **PORTLAND—Marriott Hotel**—Northwestern bantam champ "Sweet Baby" James Manning, 119, headlined against over-the-hill but ringwise Jose Luis Soto, 120. The 33-year-old Soto, who holds a win over Lupe Pintor, still has some nice moves, but he lacked the reflexes to deal with inside pressure from the shorter Manning. Double hooks to the head and a nasty left to the body put Soto down and unable to beat the count in 1:04 of the fourth round. It was scheduled for 10.

Guy Villegas, 130, Eugene, halted Sacramento's Roland Harmon, 129, at 1:31 of round six in a scheduled eight.

Delbert (Mean) Williams, 160, Portland, won a unanimous decision over Sam (Too Sweet) Wilson, 150, Portland, six. Wilson was subbing for Billie Minnix on four hours' notice.

Noe Ramirez, 154, Seattle, won a split decision over Victor Deloney, 152, Portland, six.

Donnie Fosmire, 126, Portland, stopped Hap Lyday, 130, Salem, Oregon, at 1:10 of the first round in a scheduled four. Wide hooks to the head led to the stoppage.

Referees—Jim Cassidy, Bill Thornberg.

Judges—Ben Laford, George Robinson, Paul Weitzel.

Promoter—Dolores McNally (Sports Attractions, Inc.)

Attendance—1,495. Gross—$13,985.

(01-13-83)

KATHERINE DUNN

PENNSYLVANIA

▲ **PHILADELPHIA—Blue Horizon**—Off ot a busy start, Harold Moore ran his third show here in his attempt to revive this colorful old club. The result was a good card, with a controversial finale.

Dennis Alexander Howard, 137¾, South Philly, battled Tony Stern, 136½, Harrisburg, nip and tuck all the way. It began as a boxing match, and evolved into a brawl. After eight rounds, the official scores were: referee Tommy Reid, 37-37; judge Tommy Cross, 38-38; judge Adelaide Tyndale, 39-35, Howard. The bout was announced as a majority win for Howard, but Pennsylvania rules do *not* allow for a tie-breaking vote when two officials score a contest even. Boxing writer K.O.-J.O. pointedly called attention to the error, and the following day, *de facto* commissioner Francis Walker reversed the call and declared the bout officially a draw.

Jimmy (Shotgun) Muse, 147½, Philly, stopped Geronimo Mobley, 148, Pottstown, Pa., at 1:59 of the second in a scheduled six-rounder. Referee Rudy Battle rescued Mobley when a right hand bomb turned him into a rubber band.

Four-rounders: Tommy Barnes, 123, Philadelphia, won a majority decision over Angel Gonzalez, 128, Philly. Anthony English, 130½, Camden, won a unanimous verdict over Jose (Indio) Luna, 129¾, North Philly. "Tee Bop" Williams, 161, Philadelphia, TKO'd Ali Muhammad, 154, Camden, at 1:35 of the first; one knockdown. Southpaw James Stills, 185½, Philly, knocked out Robert Brown, 177½, Philadelphia, in 1:01 of the second. Jesse Ferguson, 203, Harrisburg and Philly, kayoed Tony Jackson, 196, North Philadelphia, in 1:51 of the first. Rudy Battle refereed the first three, Tommy Reid the latter two.

Promoter/Matchmaker—Hrold Moore (MWM Promotions).

Timekeeper—J.P. Mina.

Announcer—Frank Talent.

Attendance—450. Gross—$4,000 (est.).

(01-12-83)

▲ **PHILADELPHIA—Golden Eagle**—A four-round preliminary proved to be the "real" main event, as this obscure little club moved into the national limelight with the debut of Joey Giardello, Jr. An overflow crowd, as well as celebrities like Jake LaMotta, Ernie Durando, Charley Fusari, Billy Arnold, Jersey Joe Walcott, Joe Frazier, Marvin Edelman, and young Joey's dad, saw a scrappy kid who needs a lot of work.

Giardello, 129, Cherry Hill, N.J., decked his opponent, William Tull, 130, Philly, in the first round, but was running out of gas in the second before Tull mysteriously quit between rounds, claiming a punch to the throat had incapacitated him. Frank Capuccino, referee.

The "other" main event also ended controversial ending, as club hero Fred McMunn, 159, Kensington, was gifted with an outrageous "homer" over Robert Thomas, 158¾, Philly, eight. The shifty southpaw clearly outboxed the plodding McMunn, and dropped him in the final round, but only got the vote of judge Joe Sweeney, 37-35. Referee Joe O'Neil gave it to Fred, 37-36, as did judge Eddie Woods, 38-37, who then had to be restrained from attacking this correspondent for kindly pointing out his mistake. Ironically, it was rumored the commission had warned Thomas, who sometimes loafs his way through, to put on a legitimate effort. What good did it do him?

Slugger Willie Torres, 175, Philadelphia, came from behind to overwhelm boxer Dawud Shaw, 172, Pottstown, Pa., handing him his first loss via unanimous decision, eight. It was hairline close, but the officials again gave the better boxer little credit. Scoring: referee Cappuccino, 39-33, judge Sweeney, 39-36; judge Woods, 39-38 (five rounds even!).

George Burton, 145½, Baltimore, won a unanimous decision over Ra'Sean (now Kenneth) Parker, 149¾, Philly, six. Joe O'Neil, referee.

Jeffery Hill, 165½, Philadelphia, dropped and TKO'd Lawrence White, 162, Philly at 2:08 of the first round in a scheduled four. Joe O'Neil, referee.

Marlon Palmer, 149½, Pottstown, won a unanimous decision over Stan McDougall, 145, West Philly, four. Frank Cappuccino, referee.

Timekeeper—Charles Cunningham.

Announcer—Hank Kropinski.

Promoter—Joe Verne.

Matchmaker—Billy DeMarco.

Attendance—2,000. Gross—$18,000 (est.).

(01-28-83)

▲ **PHILADELPHIA—Blue Horizon**—Jimmie Sykes, 164½, Philadelphia, floored the tough-to-kayo Randy Coleman, 167, Philly, with a left hook and TKO'd him at 1:39 of the fifth round in a scheduled eight. Charlie Sgrillo, referee.

Steve Little, 137¼, West Philly, a southpaw, won a majority decision over Marvin Richardson, 137, Philly, six. Bob Polis, referee.

Improving Anthony English, 129¼, Camden, won a majority verdict over Angel Cales, 131, Philadelphia, six. Cales was nearly out in the fifth round. Charlie Sgrillo, referee.

David Royster, 170½, Philly, climbed off the deck in the first round against southpaw John (Big Smoke) Lindsey, 173, Philadelphia, and rumbled to a draw, four rounds. Bob Polis, referee.

Bryant Paden, 131½, Philly, won a majority duke over Martin Brokenbough, 132, Philadelphia, four. Charlie Sgrillo, referee.

Judges—John Stewart, Al Morris.

Timekeeper—J.P. Mina.

Announcer—Hank Kropinski.

Promoter/Matchmaker—Harold Moore (MWM Promotions).

Attendance—325. Gross—$3,000 (est.)

(02-02-83)

J.R. JOWETT

SOUTH CAROLINA

▲ **GREENWOOD**—Bert Lee, Los Angeles, won the World Athletic Association junior middleweight crown by knocking out Randy Mitchem, Lincolnton, N.C., in the third round. Mitchem was down thrice in that fatal session.

Lee, 26, is now 28-3-1. Mitchem is a reputed 19-6.

Bobby Jennings, Laurens, S.C., kayoed Frankie Heinz, Lincolnton, in the first round.

John Gordon, Greenville, S.C., knocked out Adrian Smith, Shelby, N.C., in 1:35 of the fourth.

Rhett Burroughs, Greenwood, kayoed Jimmy Wallace, Gastonia, N.C., in the first.

Ricky Huskey, Shelby, N.C., won a split duke over Jack Pornovets, Greenville, four.

(12-17-82)

LUCKETT V. DAVIS

TEXAS

▲ **EL PASO**—Two 10-rounders and two sixes accompanied the closed circuit telecast of the Duran-Cuevas bout.

"Sweet" Louie Burke, 135, Las Cruces, New Mexico, won a unanimous decision over Roberto Garcia, 138¼, Los Angeles, 10. Burke is now 13-0 with 11 kayoes. Garcia is 23-5.

Earnie Shavers, 215, Warren, Ohio, outscored Robin Griffin, 198, Kansas City, Mo., 10.

Hector Sifuntes, 138, El Paso, TKO'd Jose Rivas, Juarez, Mexico, at 1:31 of the first session in a scheduled six.

Joe Soto, 136½, El Paso, outpointed George Crawford, 137½, Tucson, Arizona, six.

Referees—Jim Quiocho, Pete Mendoza.

Judges—Joe Borzi, Dr. John Wilkinson.

Announcer—Jim Anderson.

Matchmaker—Ron Weathers.

Attendance—900.

(01-29-83)

CARL HILL

WASHINGTON

▲ **SEATTLE—Paramount Theatre**—Former heavyweight contender Thad Spencer made his debut as a promoter in conjunction with rock-n-roll impresarios Double T, Inc. Four 10-rounders and one four made up the bill, with no beer or popcorn concessions.

Larry Frazier, 237, Portland, Oregon, won a unanimous decision over Ishaq Muhammad Hussein, 219, England, now fighting out of Bakersfield, Calif., 10.

Dale Grant, 173, won a shutout unanimous verdict over King David Smith, Los Angeles, 10.

Randy McNurlin, 135, Seattle, stopped tough Juan Rodriguez, Los Angeles, in the fourth round of their scheduled 10.

Gred (Mutt) Haugens outscored Joey Perez, L.A., in a 10-round lightweight fracas. This was only Haugens' third pro fight.

Mark Williams, 158, Portland, and Robert Villareal, 157, Seattle, drew, four.

Referees—Jack Ableman, Harold Mann.

Attendance—500.

(01-13-83)

KATHERINE DUNN

MEXICO

YUCATAN

▲ **MOTUL**—Wilbert Vera, 125, TKO'd Franco (Dandy) Gonzalez, also 125, in the 10th session to retain his Yucatan State featherweight title. Benigno (Chino) Martin, 117, outscored Jorge Alberto (Pajarito) May, 118, eight. Faustino (Rabanito) Martin, 117, TKO'd Arturo May, also 117, in the eighth and final canto. Reyes Osorno, 125, TKO'd Vicente (Torito) Baas, 126, in the sixth and final round. Roger Ramirez, 107, outscored Wilfredo Ake, 107, four.

(10-09-82)

▲ **MERIDA**—Luis Enrique Keb (Baby Luis) Baas, 107, TKO'd Luis Jorge (Cucaracho) Rejon, 108, in eight. Alberto (Malach) Chuc, 117, outpointed Margarito (Lobito) Narvaez, also 117, 10. Baby Luis II (Jose Alfredo Keb Baas), 107, shaded Jorge (Pajarito) Rivera, 111, six. Roger Arebalo, 118, and Rosendo Montero, also 118, drew, four. Memo Piste, 117, outscored Carlos Puc, also 117, four.

(10-16-82)

▲ **MERIDA**—Former WBA flyweight champion Guty Espadas, 115, TKO'd Rodolfo (Colorina) Ortega, 114, in seven. Former WBA fly champion Juan Herrera, 111, stopped Rafael (Chato) Guerra, also 111, in three. Fidencio Gonzalez, 125, TKO'd Daniel Herrera, 126, in seven. Javier Alonso, 108, TKO'd Julio Cardona, 109, in six. Damian Hernandez, 117, outpointed David Munoz, also 117, eight.

(11-13-82)

▲ **MERIDA**—Carlos (Calin) Castro, 118, outpointed Jose (Latigo) Montejo, also 118, 12, to win the Yucatan State bantam title. Wilbert Vera, 125, TKO'd David Leonardo, 126, in eight. Rene Medina, 108, outpointed Kid Jorge (Jorge Chuc Keb), 107, eight. Jose Borges, 122, outscored Rosendo Ramirez, 121, four. Jose Estrella, 107, TKO'd Jose Piste, also 107, in one.
(11-24-82)

▲ **MERIDA**—Lupe Madera, 109, knocked out Venancio Rosas, 108, in seven. Ricardo (Leoncito) Peralta, 135, kayoed Raul (Zurdo) Molina, 137, in the first round. Candelario (Changuito) Carmona, 108, outscored Eduardo (Lalo) Acosta, also 108, 10. Santiago Mendez, 107, outpointed Rosendo (Hielero) Ake, also 107, 10. Jose (Mash) Figueroa, 108, TKO'd Jose Guardian, 107, in two.
(12-11-82)

▲ **MERIDA**—Baby Luis, 107, outscored Javier Alonso, 108, 12, to win the Yucatan State junior flyweight title. Alberto (Malach) Chuc, 134, outpointed Roberto Llanes, also 134, 10. Baby Luis II, 107, outscored German Chacon, also 107, six. Jose Chale, 118, iced Tony Ontiveros, 117, in one. Manuel Chale, 117, outscored Luis Cardena, also 117, four.
(12-15-82)

EDUARDO AMER G.

PANAMA

▲ **PANAMA CITY—Gimnasio Neco de la Guardia** — Orlando Rudas, 112, won the national flyweight crown by stopping defending champ Bernardo Moreno, also 112, at 1:34 of the second in a scheduled 12-round bout.

Celso Chavez, 119½, TKO'd Jorge Chavarria, also 119½, Nicaragua, in the seventh round of a scheduled 10.

Marcelo Beckford, 122¾, TKO'd Daniel Martinez, 121½, at 2:02 of the 10th and final session.

Julio Gudino, 112, knocked out Felipe Lam, 112¾, in 2:36 of the eighth and final stanza.

Melquiades Gomez, 135¼, won a unanimous decision over Rigoberto Ramos, 135¼, four.

Promoter—Hermanos Torres.
(11-27-82)

▲ **COLON—Panama Al Brown Arena**—Rafael Williams, 135, TKO'd Emilio Guerrero, Nicaragua, who did not answer the bell for the fourth round of their scheduled 10.

Marino Alabarca, 149½, TKO'd Gregorio Molinar, 145½, at 2:39 of the fourth round of another scheduled 10.

Nestor Flores, 165¼, knocked out Felix Rivas, 160½, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Leroy Durant, 135½, kayoed Ernesto Small, 139, in 0:21 of the third round in a scheduled four.

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(12-04-82)

RAQUEL TORRES

SOUTH AMERICA

COLOMBIA

▲ **SANTA MARTA**—Agustin Higirio, Colombia, TKO'd Carlos Caicedo, who was unable to answer the bell for round four, flyweights.

Emiliano Villa, Colombia, outscored Leonidas Asprilla, 10, junior middles.

Juan Polo, Santa Marta, Colombia, TKO'd Arnold Rocha, Colombia, in the first round, flyweights.

Libardo Barrios outpointed Bernardo Morelo, six, bantams.

Domingo Martinez, Cartagena, outscored Remberto Murillo, Santa Marta, junior welters.
(10-08-82)

▲ **MEDELLIN**—Ruben Dario Palacio, Antioquia, won the Colombian bantam crown by outpointing Homer Meza, 12. Meza was down in the 10th and 11th.

Sergio Alvarez TKO'd Bernabe Diaz, Monteria, in the 10th to retain his Colombian lightweight title. Alvarez had kayoed Tano Correa of Mexico in New York on the 15th of September.

Wilson Arias retained his national junior lightweight crown via a 12-round draw with Victor Pacheco.

Nelson Pacheco outscored Jaime Restrepo, eight, junior flyweights.

Gustavo Castrillon outpointed Wilmer Medina, four, junior lights.
(10-30-82)

▲ **BARRANQUILLA**—Felipe Orozco, Barranquilla, won a unanimous decision over Juan Antonio Lopez, Mexico, 10. Orozco, a southpaw, is now rated seventh among junior featherweights by The Ring International Ratings Panel.

Miguel Maturana halted Rene Merced, Puerto Rico, in the fourth round of a scheduled bantam 10.

Edwin Gonzalez, Puerto Rico, TKO'd Leonardo Aguslimpias, Colombia, in the sixth.

Colombian featherweight king Idabeth Rojas iced Rafael Silgado in 2:35 of the first round in a scheduled 10-round non-title affair.

Rosemberg Miranda and Ramiro Agresot drew, four, featherweights.
(10-30-82)

LUIS A. GONZALEZ

VENEZUELA

▲ **CARACAS**—Ildemar Paisan outpointed Chu-Ku Won, Korea, 10 rounds, lightweights. Orlando Orozco TKO'd Cesar Delgado in six, light welters. Juan R. Mijares, outpointed Pedro R. Torres, 10, lights. Carlos Riera outscored Alfredo Reyes, four, flyweights. Edgar Rodriguez outpointed Luis Infante, four, welters.
(11-01-82)

▲ **CARACAS**—Oscar Arnal TKO'd Jerome Artis in six, lightweights. Antonio Esparragoza outscored Freddy Pitalua, Colombia, 10, feathers. Angel Cordova kayoed Misael Amaro in five, lightweights. Julio C. Garcia TKO'd Jorge Ariza in two, light welters. Rafael Castro TKO'd Pedro Nieves in the first round, flyweights.
(11-06-82)

▲ **CARACAS**—Elio Diaz kayoed Claro Guzman, Mexico, in six, welters. Carlos Gutierrez knocked out Carlos Teran, Mexico, in six, bantamweights. Bernardino Pinango TKO'd Tito Roque, Dominican Republic, in five, super bantams. Israel Contreras TKO'd Chan-Koo Dok, Korea, in six, super flyweights. Teodoro Cordero outscored Rafael Monsalve, Colombia, four, lights.
(11-08-82)

▲ **CARACAS**—Juan Rondon won a technical decision over Lee-Kil Yuh, Korea, in five, welterweights. Edgar Castro and Chan-Sang Ho, Korea, no contest in two, lights. Manuel Sayago and Alfredo Reyes drew, six, flyweights. Antonio Guevara TKO'd Jose Villegas in two, bantams. Fermin Chirinos outscored Felix Medina, four, middles.
(11-15-82)

▲ **CARACAS**—Santiago Caballero outscored Francisco Quiroz, 10, Dominican Republic. Jose Cervantes, Colombia, won by a disqualification over Carlos Romero, in eight, super bantams. Aurelio Benitez outpointed Pedro Contreras, eight, junior lights. Rafael Castro outscored Rafael Bolivar, six, flyweights. Luis Garcia outpointed Yasmil Morales, Colombia, four, super bantams.
(11-22-82)

▲ **CARACAS**—Edgar Roman outpointed Arnel Arrozal, Philipines, 10, bantamweights. Felix Mendoza kayoed Dong-Soo Cha, Korea, in five, lights. Agustin Zamora and Marcos Vente, Colombia, drew, eight, light welters. Manuel Rojas kayoed Mariano Aguas in two, welterweights.
(11-29-82)

EUROPE

AUSTRIA

▲ **VIENNA—Athletic Centre**—Franz Dorfer retained his Austrian middleweight title by stopping Eric Secevic on a cut eye in the eighth.

Lahcen Ounghar narrowly outpointed Manfred Findewig, six rounds, lightweights.

Josef Biberovic halted Ludwig Brunmayr, six, middles.

Helmut Owessle and Werner Pelz drew, six, heavies.

Former Austrian welterweight champion Otto Zinderer knocked out Franz Hohl in the first.
(10-28-82)

▲ **WOLFSBURY**—Ferdinand Pachler outscored Stanko Suhadolnik, Yugoslavia, eight, light middleweights.
(12-04-82)

BELGIUM

▲ **IZEGEM**—A wild light heavy weight slugging match saw Jose Seys knock Albert Toma out in the fifth session.

Filip Seys outpointed light middleweight Cyrille Barbe, six, in a catchweight match. Seys is a light heavy.

Romain Mianzuela, Zaire, outscored Marnix Heytens, six, light middles.

Luc Goossens stopped Horst Lang on cuts in round five, heavies.

Frankie DeCaestecker outscored Djibril Bathily, eight, light middles.

Laurent Grimbert knocked out Mohammed Maalem in the second, lightweights.
(11-02-82)

▲ **BRESSOUX**—Jean Symos outpointed Chaed Ring, eight, light middles.

Marco Giuliano outpointed Rafael Salamone, six, welters.
(11-12-82)

▲ **LA LOUVIERE**—Marco Vitaglione outscored Eddy Vandenhouwele, six, heavyweights.
(11-19-82)

▲ **GRIVEGNEE**—Romain Mianzuela outpointed Jo Pupella, six, light middles.
(11-19-82)

▲ **LA LOUVIERE**—Sergio Bosio outscored Josef Kossmann, six, light heavies.

Bernard Artone outscored Gregory Marshall, six, heavyweights.

Maurice Bufi outpointed Rafel Salamone, six, light middles.
(11-26-82)

▲ **SCHELLE**—Daniel Demeyere and Marnix Heytens drew, six, light middles.
(11-27-82)

▲ **ANDERLECHT**—Francesco Rodriguez outpointed Gilbert Helluin, six rounds, lightweights.
(12-10-82)

▲ **St. Josse**—Jesus Fernandez outpointed Mohamed Bouziani, six, welters.
(12-17-82)

▲ **MIDDELKERKE**—Marlo Vitaglione outpointed Eddy Vandenhouweele, eight, heavyweights.

Rafael Blanco outscored Haidar Nourredine, six, feathers.

▲ **IZEGEM**—Hendry Seys retained his Belgian light heavyweight title with a points win over Luc Gossens, 12.

Karl Canwell, England, halted Jose Seys in round eight. This was Seys' first defeat; light heavies.

Nedzat Memeti stopped Albert Toma in the fifth round, heavies.

Jean-Marc Renard stopped 36-year-old Frenchman Dominique Cesari in four, featherweights.

Felip Seys halted Sprengler in round three, light middles.

Romain Mianziula stopped Rudi De Gruyter in five, light middles. The 21-year-old Mianziula, from Zaire, is now unbeaten in nine fights.
(12-25-82)

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(11-19-82)

DENMARK

▲ **COPENHAGEN—K.B. Halle**—Santos Laciar, 111¾, Argentina, retained his WBA flyweight crown by stopping the light punching Steve Muchoki, 111¼, Kenya, in round 13.

Colin Jones, Great Britain, knocked out Hans Henrik Palm, Denmark, with a devastating left hook in the second round to win the latter's European welter title. Palm ws down twice in that frame before the referee stepped in.

John Odhiambo, Uganda, halted Henry Sims, Chicago, in round 10, light heavies.

Michael Madsen outscored Geoff Rhymer, six, light heavies.

Anders Eklund, Sweden, outpointed Theo Josephs, four, heavies

Gert Bo Jacobsen outpointed Gilbert Heluin, France, six, light welterweights.
(11-05-82)

▲ **RANDERS**—Former European welterweight champion Jorgen Hansen outpointed former WBC junior welter champ Perico Fernandez, Spain, eight. WThe 39-year-old Hansen announced his retirement after this bout, leaving the ring with a final record of 78-14. Fernandez, 30, had had 105 total contests.

World rated John Odhiambo, Uganda, halted Alvin Manson at 1:55 of the first, light heavies. John is now 14-0.

Giant Anders Eklund, 235, Sweden, stopped Ricky James, Great Britain, at 1:43 of round three.

Michael Madsen, Denmark, halted Jonjo Green, Great Britain, at 1:50 of the fourth, light heavies.

Torben Anderson, Denmark, outpointed Paul Mitchell, Great Briatain, six, light middles.

Gert Bo Jacobsen, Denmark, outscored Benito Murillo, Spain, four, light welters.
(12-02-82)

FRANCE

▲ **AIX-EN-PROVENCE**—Aldo Di Benedetto outpointed Andrea Ricci, eight, lightweights.
(10-08-82)

▲ **CAPELLE-LA-GRANDE**-British visitors performed well, as Mickey Baker stopped Daniel M'Putu on a third round retirement at lightweight, and Clift Gilpin fought a 10-round draw with Fred Coranson at light middle.

Cyrille Barbe stopped Rudi De Gruyter in the first, middleweights.
(10-15-82)

▲ **JOEUF**—Phillipe Monin outpointed Jean-Victor Santoncini, six, light middles.
(10-17-82)

EUROPEAN RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lucien Rodriguez (France)
1. Sylvain Watbled (France)
2. Joe Bugner (Great Britain)
3. Domenico Adinolfi (Italy)
4. Felipe Rodriguez (Spain)
5. David Pearce (Great Britain)
6. Alfredo Evangelista (Spain)
7. Neville Meade (Great Britain)
8. Billy Aird (Great Britain)
9. Frank Bruno (England)
10. Daniele Laghi (Italy)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Colin Jones (Great Britain)
1. Kirkland Laing (Great Britain)
2. Gianfranco Rosi (Italy)
3. Hans Henrik Palm (Denmark)
4. Gilles Elbilia (France)
5. Everaldo Costa (Italy)
6. Claude Lancastre (France)
7. Jo Kimpuani (France)
8. Giuseppe Di Padova (Italy)
9. Pierangelo Piras (Italy)
10. Alfonso Redondo (Spain)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Steve Sims (Great Britain)
2. Loris Stecca (Italy)
3. Salvatore Melluzzo (Italy)
4. Barry McGuigan (N. Ireland)
5. Jose Luis Vicho (Spain)
6. Esteban Eguia (Spain)
7. Kamel Djadda (France)
8. Jean-Marc Renard (Belgium)
9. Giuseppe La Vite (Italy)
10. Clyde Ruan (England)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Rudi Koopmans (Netherlands)
1. Richard Caramanolis (France)
2. Alex Blanchard (Netherlands)
3. Manfred Jassman (Germany)
4. Hocine Tafer (France)
5. Gennaro Mauriello (Italy)
6. Tom Collins (Great Britain)
7. Nicola Cirelli (Italy)
8. Walter Cevoli (Italy)
9. Fred Serres (Luxembourg)
10. Dennis Andries (Great Britain)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Roberto Gambini (France)
1. Clinton McKenzie (Great Britain)
2. Patrizio Oliva (Italy)
3. Ramon Gomez Fouz (Spain)
4. Antonio Guinaldo (Spain)
5. Francesco Leon (Spain)
6. Sylvester Mittee (Great Britain)
7. Giuseppe Martinese (Italy)
8. Ace Rusevski (Yugoslavia)
9. Jose Luis Heredia (Spain)
10. Alan Lamb (England)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Giuseppe Fossati (Italy)
1. Valerio Nati (Italy)
2. John Feeney (Great Britain)
3. Hugh Russell (Great Britain)
4. Luis de la Sagra (Spain)
5. Walter Giogetti (Italy)
6. Davy Larmour (Great Britain)
7. Paolo Castrovilli (Italy)
8. Roberto Serreli (Italy)
9. Martinez Antunez (Spain)
10. Giancarlo Ravaiolli (Italy)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Louis Acaries (France)
Vacant
1. Tony Sibson (Great Britain)
2. Roy Gumbs (Great Britain)
3. Gaetano Ardito (Italy)
4. Stephane Ferrara (France)
5. Mateo Salvemini (Italy)
6. Mark Kaylor (England)
7. Frank Wissenbach (Germany)
8. Pierre-Frank Winterstein (France)
9. Jacques Chinon (France)
10. Glen McEwan (England)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Joey Gibilisco (Italy)
1. George Feeney (Great Britain)
2. Ray Cattouse (Great Britain)
3. Rene Weller (Germany)
4. Tony Willis (England)
5. Jose A. Garcia (Spain)
6. Alessandro Scapecchi (Italy)
7. Lucio Cusma (Spain)
8. Winston Spencer (England)
9. Nino Jimenez (Spain)
10. Charles Jurietti (France)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Charlie Magri (Great Britain)
1. Keith Wallace (Great Britain)
2. Kelvin Smart (Great Britain)
3. Franco Cherchi (Italy)
4. Antoine Montero (France)
5. Enrique Rodriguez Cal (Spain)
6. Ciro De Leva (Italy)
7. Dave George (Great Britain)
8. Giovanni Camputaro (Italy)
9. Piero Pinna (Italy)
10. Mario Bitetto (Italy)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Luigi Minchillo (Italy)
1. Herol Graham (Great Britain)
2. Marijan Benes (Yugoslavia)
3. Brian Anderson (Great Britain)
4. Fred Coranson (France)
5. Richard Rodriguez (France)
6. Rosario Pacileo (Italy)
7. Jose Hernandez (Spain)
8. Torben Anderson (Denmark)
9. Prince Rodney (Great Britain)
10. Nick Wilshire (England)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Roberto Castanon (Spain)
1. Cornelius Boza-Edwards (Great Britain)
2. Carlos Hernandez (Spain)
3. Alfredo Raininger (Italy)
4. Michel Siracusa (France)
5. Daniel Londas (France)
6. Lorenzo Paciullo (Italy)
7. Salvatore Liscapade (Italy)
8. Carlos M. Rodriguez (Spain)
9. Francis Bailleu (France)
10. Aldo Di Benedetto (France)

▲ **PARIS-De Coubertin Stadium**—The Rodriguez brothers, Luis and Richard, both scored wins. Heavyweight Luis outscored former Italian champion Giovanni De Luca, 10, and light middleweight Richard edged out Britisher Tony Britton, eight.

Mary Konate stopped Al Syben, Belgium, who retired in the fifth round, heavies.

Roy Kaba, the loser from Ghana, stopped light middleweight prospect Branislan Tdovoric in the first. Quite an upset.
(10-28-82)

▲ **ST. NAZAIRE**—German Lemaitre outscored Jean-Louis Coquin, eight rounds, light middles.
(10-23-82)

▲ **FONTEWAY- SOUS- BOIS**—Mourad Ferguene stopped Dominique Benkouai in three for his fifth straight win, middles.
(10-23-82)

▲ **CALAIS**—Francis Bailleul outpointed Majid Harid, eight rounds, lightweights.

▲ **GRENOBLE**—Frank Lussi outpointed Nihat Er, eight, feathers. Michel Cini kayoed Lionel Jean in the fourth round, bantams.
(10-23-82)

▲ **MERICOURT**—Julien Segly halted Pat Drelon in the sixth, light welters. The towel was thrown in after Drelon had been down six times.
(10-23-82)

▲ **FOURMIERS**—Jose Bastient outpointed Boujema Kaidouri, six, middles. Jean Spengler and Jean-Philippe Truchelut drew, six, middleweights.
(10-23-82)

▲ **PARIS**—Gilles Elbilia won the French welter title by narrowly outpointing defending champ Claude Lancastre, 12. The 25-year-old Elbilia has a 20-2 record, one of his losses coming to Lancastre in 1979.

Prospect Said Skouma flattened Uw Wissenbach with a right hand in the first round. Helier Custos stopped Abdel Essebah in the third round at light middle. Skouma is a welterweight.
(10-28-82)

▲ **ORLEANS**—Kanel Djadda won the French featherweight title when defending champ Philippe Martin threw the towel in round eight. This was only Kamel's sixth pro contest.
(10-30-82)

▲ **BEXONS**—Roselande Bounet outpointed Ramdane Dahmani, six, welters.
(11-03-82)

▲ **NICE**—Jean-Claude Fontana outpointed Sami Baara, six, welters. Djally Rahou won on a foul over Ayoub, welters. Antonio Vivarelli and Yvan Fael drew, four, light welterweights.
(11-05-82)

▲ **LE MANS**—Abdel Arik outpointed Jose Bastient, eight, welterweights. Jimmy Kante outscored Amalid Galan, eight, lightweights.
(11-06-82)

▲ **PARIS**—Lucien Rodriguez retained his European heavyweight title with a dull unanimous decision over Domenico Adinolfi, 12. The scores were 120-114, 120-112, and 118-116. Rodriguez is now 35-7-1. The 36-year-old Adinolfi is 51-9-3 with one no contest.

Maurice Gomis and Stuart Lythgoe drew, eight, heavyweights.

Dominique Nati outpointed Nedza Memet, six, heavyweights.

Former European light middleweight champion Jose Hernandez and Aldo Curti drew, eight. Hernandez is 38 year old.
(11-18-82)

▲ **VENDOME**—Lightweight prospect Frederic Geoffroy outscored Andre Blanco, eight rounds.
(11-19-82)

▲ **MARSEILLES**—Richard Caramanolis stretched his winning run to 21 by outpointing light heavyweight Fred Serres, Luxembourg, 10.

Experienced Joel Bonnetaz held middleweight Pierre-Frank Winterstein to a draw, eight rounds, in an upset. Winterstein had won 28 bouts in a row.

Alain Limarola stopped Corrado Infanti in the fifth round, flyweights.
(11-25-82)

▲ **FONTENAY-SOUS-BOIS**—Mourad Ferguene stopped Justin Mifoudi in two, middles.
(11-27-82)

▲ **NANTES**—Germain Lemaitre halted Robert Dormoy in round five, light middles.
(11-27-82)

▲ **ROUEN**—Gilbert Dele stopped local middleweight Michel Moukory in two.
(11-27-82)

▲ **PARIS**—WBC ranked cruiserweight Syvain Watbled kayoed Belo Moano, Zaire, in six. The 28-year-old Watbled has a 31-2 record with 21 stoppages.

Paul Tchoue edged out Dudley McKenzie, Great Britain, eight rounds, middles. Tchoue, 20, from the Cameroons, has 16 wins.

Jean-Paul Truchelut stopped Jean-Luc Lami in five, middles
(11-29-82)

▲ **VALENCE**—Former French junior lightweight champion Charles Jurietti halted Didier Kowalski on cuts in the eighth to win the French lightweight crown. The 30-year-old Jurietti was well in front at the time of the stoppage.
(12-03-82)

▲ **PARIS**—Louis Acaries won the vacant European middleweight crown by stopping German southpaw Frank Wissenbach in round six. Acaries was too strong for Wissenbach, and the referee stopped the one-sided contest after the German was floored in the sixth. Acaries is now 35-4. Wissenbach is 40-4-1.

Stephane Ferrara won the vacant French middleweight crown when his stablemate, Jacques Chinon, retired in the 12th and final round. The 26-year-old Ferrara is now 18-1-1.

Ted Nkalankete, born in Zaire, won the vacant French light welter title when Venezuelan born Carlos Foldes was disqualified in round two.

Mosini Maeleke stopped European light welter champion Robert Gambini in the fifth round of their non-title affair. The stoppage was due to a cut, which looked like it was the result of a butt.

French featherweight champion Kamel Djadda outscored Amalid Galan, Spain, eight.
(12-03-82)

▲ **PONTARLIER**—Francis Tripp outpointed Andrea Ricci, eight rounds, junior lightweights.
(12-04-82)

▲ **ECHIROLLES**—Phillipe Monnin outscored Marc Scullini, six, light middles. Hassen Mebarki kayoed Jean-Pierre Dudugnon in six, junior lights.
(12-04-82)

▲ **ST. DENIS**—Hadi Zitouni outpointed Ray Gitlemen, six rounds, featherweights.
(12-04-82)

▲ **BLENDECQUES**—Former French junior light champ Francis Bailleul outpointed Nordine Dahmani, eight.
(12-04-82)

▲ **HAYANGE**—Dominique Nato kayoed Gregory Marshall in the second session, heavies.
(12-05-82)

▲ **LE CANNETT**—Helier Custos kayoed Khalifa Bagoro in the second, middles. Abdel Chahboune outscored Dario Bruno, six, lights.
(12-10-82)

▲ **COMPIEGNE**—Antonio Secci halted Gerard Jacob in the fourth round, lightweights.
(12-11-82)

▲ **LYONS**—Andre Holyk's career came to an end. He announced his retirement after being stopped by Mohammed Lazmany in round five of their light welter bout. The 31-year-old Holyk once beat Jim Watt, but had won only one of his last nine contests.

Francis Tripp outpointed Jose Martin Garzon, eight. Trip, who has a 15-3 record, was scheduled to challenge Pat Cowdell for the latter's European featherweight title. Cowdell, however, announced his retirement.

Anguel Guinaldo, Spain, outpointed Sabiyala Diavilla, Zaire, eight.
(12-11-82)

▲ **ST. ETIENNE**—Giovanni Martorina outscored Jean-Louis Coquin, eight rounds, light middles.
(12-17-82)

▲ **FUMEL**—Said Skouma kayoed Dennis Pryce in six, light middles.
(12-17-82)

▲ **ANTIBES**—French featherweight champion Kamel Djadda knocked out Santiago Alvarez, Chile, in the second round to take his log to 7-1.

Hassen Mebarki outpointed Robert Forneris, six, lights.

Abdel Marbi outscored Majid Harid, six, light welters.
(12-17-82)

▲ **THONON-LES-BAINS**—Algerian born Mustapha Keddari outpointed Alain LeFol, 10, junior lights. Keddari is now 10-0.
(12-17-82)

▲ **CREIL**—Everaldo Costa Azevedo knocked out local hero Alain Marion in the seventh round. Costa, 38, born in Brazil, has now had 132 contests.

Laurent Grimbert outscored Arturo De Prezzo, eight rounds, feathers.

Gerard Jacob announced his retirement after stopping Pat Drelon in round two, junior lights.
(12-18-82)

▲ **AIX-EN-PROVENCE**—Daniel Londas lost again. Only six weeks after being stopped by Roberto Castanon for the vacant European junior lightweight crown, Londas was suddenly outpointed by Michel Siracusa, eight.

The 31-year-old Siracusa is now 35-5-4 in a record that was interrupted by a jail term. Londas is 20-2.

Nourredine Hamdani outscored Ray Gitlemen, six, junior lights. Jose Rosemain outpointed Serge Sinelnikov, six rounds, middles. Jo Araka halted Justin M'Foudi in the second round, light heavies.
(12-18-82)

▲ **DOLE**—Robert Dormoy outpointed Cyrille Barbe, six, light middles.
(12-18-82)

ERIC ARMIT

GERMANY

▲ **DERNBACH**—Promoter Helmut Slomke's three-bout show attracted a crowd of 150.

Ralf Schaffer TKO'd fellow German Jurgen Gries in the fifth round, light heavies.

Josef Kossman outscored fellow countryman Horst Schulz, eight.

Ali Phelivan, Turkey, outpointed German Klaus Hein, six, welters.
(11-06-82)

▲ **COLOGNE**—Andreas prox, Germany, outpointed Jurgen Broszeit, Germany, four, middles. John Munduga, Uganda, TKO'd Cor Eversteijn, Holland, in the second round, welters. Louis Pergaud Ngatchou, Cameroon, TKO'd Vedat Akova, Turkey, in the first light heavies. Rene Weller outpointed Willie Booth, Scotlan, 10, lights. Claus Parge, Germany, and Werner Pelz, Germany, drew, four, heavyweights. Manfred Jassmann outpointed Britain's Trevor Cattouse, 10, light heavies. German junior middleweight champion Andre Emmerich outscored Rudiger Bitterling, 10 to retain his throne.

Promoter—Wilfried Sauerland. He presented his first show in Cologne in September, 1980. This was his 14th and was held at the Sartory Saal.

Attendance—1,300.

(12-04-82)

▲ **NOTES**—Former Germany welterweight and German and European middleweight champion Jupp Besselmann celebrated his 74th birthday on November 20.

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ITALY

▲ **PALERMO**—Lorenzo Paciullo retained his Italian junior lightweight crown by outpointing Franco Siddu, 12. Featherweight Pasquale Mazza outscored Bofunga Eymono, eight. Sabiyala Diavilla outpointed Mosino Maeleke, eight, light middles.

(10-01-82)

▲ **ROBBIATE**—Angelo Liquori outpointed Jose Luis Ribeiro, Brazil, eight, light middles.

(10-02-82)

▲ **GRAGNANO**—Olympic Gold Medalist Patrizio Oliva stretched his winning streak to 25 by outpointing Dave McCabe, Scotland, eight, light welters. Callisto Bavaresco outscored Sukala Miayele, Zaire, six, light middles. Gaetano Caso outpointed Kumba Kalenga, six, welters. Vincenzo Bottiglieri outpointed Binguina, Zaire, six, featherweights.

(10-06-82)

▲ **AGEROLA**—Gennaro Mauriello retained his Italian light heavyweight crown by stopping Nicola Cirelli in round six. The 24-year-old Mauriello, crude but tough, had split open a cut near Cirelli's right eye. Mauriello is now 12-1-2. Cirelli lost for the third time in 28 bouts.

Pasquale Rippa outpointed Nzolameso, Zaire, four, light heavies. Francesco Preziosi stopped Mbuta Mudividambu in six, light welters.

(10-07-82)

▲ **CAGLIARI**—Santiago Alvarez, Chile, halted Marco Boero in the eighth round of a lightweight bout. Constantino Piredda outpointed veteran Filippo Belvedere, six, feathers. Josias Da Silva, Brazil, outpointed Francesco Tritto, six rounds, lightweights. Fabio Mannai outscored Antonio Pisani, six rounds, feathers.

(10-08-82)

▲ **PESARO**—Walter Giorgetti retained his Italian bantamweight crown by halting Giancarlo Ravaioli in the eighth round of a tough fight that saw both men taking punishment. This was Giorgetti's first title defense. His record is now 11-1.

Light middleweight bouts saw Robert Pisciotto stop Giuseppe Agate in three and Nazario Mariotti outpoint Mario Da Cruz in six. Bantamweight Nicola Di Rubbo outscored Corrado Infanti, six.

(10-08-82)

▲ **FLORENCE**—Italian middleweight champion Gaetano Ardito outpointed stocky Spaniard Juan Munoz Holgado, eight. The 25-year-old Ardito now has 15 wins.

Light heavy Luigi Di Lauro forced Guy Telusson to retire in round three. Ex-amateur champion Giovanni De Marco outscored Mabolo Kamunga, Zaire, six, middles. De Marco is now 5-0.

(10-08-82)

▲ **RIMINI**—Top European featherweight challenger Loris Stecca was held to a surprise draw by tough Sammy Meck, Cameroons. Light heavy Jose Da Silva outscored Francesco Campi, four. Walter Cevoli outscored Alessandro Casanova, eight, light heavies. Cevoli is now 22-2. Buali Kamel stopped Simadilu Lubaki in three, lights.

(10-09-82)

▲ **SCHIO**—Giuseppe Fossati retained his European bantamweight crown with a very close decision over Luis de la Sagra, Spain, 12. Fossati was floored in the fifth. He's now 29-1, but was way below form in this contest.

Unbeaten heavy Angelo Rottoli stopped Avenamar Peralta on a cut at the end ot two. Peralta will be 40 by the time that this report sees print, and has won only oneof his last 13 bouts.

Light welter Rosario Casartelli outpointed Guerrino Paci, six, light welters.

Gianni Marchesini outscored Moktar Djelassi, six, light heavies.

(10-15-82)

▲ **LIVORNO**—Former European welterweight champion Giuseppe Martinese outpointed Francesco Gallo, eight.

Andrea Salvini stopped Antonio Cresenza in round three, light middles.

(10-15-82)

▲ **PERUGIA**—Gianfranco Rosi retained his Italian welterweight title by stopping Everaldo Costa Azevedo on cuts in the seventh. The 38-year-old Brazilian born Costa had lost every round. Rosi is now 19-1. Costa, who fought Carlos Palomino for the world title in 1977, had had 131 pro fights.

Former European flyweight champion Paolo Castrovilli moved up to bantam with a points win over Bofunga Eymond.

Light middle Donato Romano outscored Folly Muyanga, six.

(10-15-82)

▲ **GROSSETO**—Italian lightweight champion Alessandro Scapecchi was held to a draw by Bechir Jelassi, eight. Middleweight prospect Edmondo Buttiglione outscored Jose Luis Ribeiro, six. Luigi Di Lauro outscored Francesco Campi, six, light heavyweights. Angelo Quintavilla stopped gianquinto Vercella in the fourth, light middles. Massimo Pieri and Mauricio Hernandez, drew, six, middleweights.

(10-23-82)

▲ **SENIGALLIA**—Light middleweight Gesualdo outscored Nzolameso, Zaire, six.

(10-23-82)

▲ **FRPSOMPME**—Giuliano Antonucci outscored Giovanni cannizzo, six, light middles.

(10-25-82)

▲ **TIVOLI**—Franco Federica outscored Palomaro Rosso, six rounds, heavyweights.

(10-26-82)

▲ **SAN SEVERO**—Luigi Minchillo socred an early knockdown, but had to fight hard all the way to retain his European light middle crown with a majority decision over Marijan Benes, 12.

The 27-year-old Minchillo is now 39-2. The 31-year-old Benes, who held the crown from 1979 to 1981, is 26-5-1.

Yugoslavian star Ace Rusevski outpointed Sabiyala Diavilla in a light welter six. The 25-year-old southpaw, Rusevski, won an Olympic Bronze Medal and was European champion as an amateur.

Giuseppe Russi outpointed Kianda Malanda, Zaire, eight, light welters.

(10-28 -82)

▲ **BRINDISI**—Daniele Laghi upset the odds by knocking out the favored Guide Trane in the seventh round to win the vacant Italian heavyweight title.

(10-28-82)

▲ **RAVENNA**—Francesco Tritto outpointed Antonio Pocai, six, lightweights.

(10-29-82)

▲ **SAN GIULIANO TERME**—Andrea Salvini stopped Cupelic in one, light middles.

Marco Torregrossa kayoed Stanko Suadolnik in four, welters.

(10-29-82)

▲ **CINISELLO BALSAMO**—Angelo Liquori stopped Roberto Dormoy in six to bring his log to 8-0, light middles. Nello Jovino stopped Gabriel Di Stazio in five, junior lights.

(10-30-82)

▲ **SAN REMO**—Hagler-Obelmejias undercard: Juan Domingo Roldan knocked out Reggie Ford in the first round.

Sumbu Kalambay, Zaire, outpointed Buster Drayton. The 26-year-old Kalambay has a 19-1-1 mark and is unbeaten in his last 18 bouts.

Nino La Rocca scored win number 42 by outpointing Curtis Ramsey. Nino is 23.

Callisto Bavaresco and Kumba Kalenga drew, six, light middleweights.

(10-31-82)

▲ **LIMBIATE**—Alessandro Crisafulli stopped Giuseppe Leto in the first, light middles.

Silvo Migale outpointed Fausto Gennaro, eight, light middleweights.

(11-05-82)

▲ **CAGLIARI**—Bruno Demontis outscored Patrizio Buruni and Silvio Ballone won by a disqualification over Abass Macauley, three, in lightweight bouts. Featherweight Fabbio Mannai outscored Antonio Franca, six.

(11-19-82)

▲ **TREZZANO**—Franco Cherchi won the Italian flyweight crown with a unanimous decision over Ciro De Leva, 12. The scores were 118-115, 120-117, and 117-114. The 25-year-old Cherchi had beaten De Leva in the Finals of the Italian Amateur Championships in 1977, 1978, and 1979. Franco is now 14-0 as a professional.

Salvator La Serra went to 7-0 with a decision over Lorenzo M. Pacheco, Spain, eight, bantams. WBC rated light middleweight Carlos Santos outscored Mbayo Wa Mabayo, Zaire, eight. Franco Callegari outpointed Jose Luis Rebeiro, six, light middles.

(11-26-82)

LUXEMBOURG

▲ **ESCH**—Clement Tshinza outpointed Jose Hernandez, Spain, in a battle of veteran light middles, 10. Tshinza is 34 and Hernandez 39.

NETHERLANDS

▲ **AMSTERDAM—Ahoy Palace**—Rudi Koopmans retained his European light heavyweight crown by stopping stablemate Alex Blanchard in the eighth round.

Koopmans is now 40-1-2. Blanchard is 21-1.

Cor Everstein won the Dutch welterweight title by knocking out Anton Verrips in round six.

(11-15-82)

▲ **EYGELSHOVEN**—John Van Elteren took his record to 2-0 with a points win over Daniel Demeyere of Belgium.

(12-11-82)

▲ **ROTTERDAM**—Roy Somer won a disputed verdict over Farid Gallouze, eight, featherweights.

Moroccan lightweight Lachen Oumghar halted Mahrez Bougalmi on Tunisia in two.

(12-13-82)

SPAIN

▲ **SANTA CRUZ**—Felipe (Pantera) Rodriguez retained his Spanish heavyweight title by outpointing newcomer Antxon Iraeta, 10. Rodriguez is now 26-4-3.

Jose Hernandez retained his Spanish light middleweight title when challenger Dum Dum Pacheco was disqualified in the eight round. Hernandez is a deaf mute.

Teo Vega halted Francisco Macias in round four, heavies. Santiago Machin outscored Benito Murillo, six, lightweights. Jose Perez Pacheco kayoed Fredy Perez in one, lights.

(10-02-82)

▲ **SALAMANCA**—Roberto Castanon outpointed Chato Melilla, eight. Rafael Sanchez Munoz outscored J. Manuel Cuervos, six, junior lights.

(10-02-82)

▲ **OVIEDO**—Jose Ramon Gomez Fouz outpointed Antonio Guinaldo in a Spanish light welter title bout.

Tony Granados stopped Fermin Gallardo in the sixth round, lightweights. Jose Garcia outscored Alberto Barrero, four, light heavies.

(10-08-82)

▲ **SABADELLA**—Former Spanish welterweight champion Tony Casado outpointed Mohamed Chino, eight.

Emilio Sole kayoed Diego Munoz in the second round, welterweights. The 20-year-old Sole is now 15-0 with eight stoppages.

Jose Martin Garzon and Antonio Acevedo drew, six, lightweights.

(10-08-82)

▲ **MALAGA**—Andres (Loan) Lopez outpointed Alfredo Gutierrez, six, welters.

(10-09-82)

▲ **PALMA DE MALLORCA**—Jose Molina and Antonio Baltanas drew, six, junior lightweights.

(10-15-82)

▲ **SALAMANCA**—Vicente Fernandez and Fernando Rodriguez drew, six, featherweights.

(10-16-82)

▲ **LAS PALMAS**—Vicente Jorge (Sendin) outpointed Manuel J. Luis (Lolo) in a lightweight four. Eduardo Perez Santana outscored Manuel Dominguez Pena, four, light middles.

(10-29-82)

▲ **MALAGA**—Juan Manuel Lopez outpointed Tadeo Panel, four rounds, feathers.

(11-01-82)

▲ **PALMA DE MALLORCA**—Van Der Aa kayoed Joaquin Garcia Munoz in two and Manuel Munoz outscored Emilio Sanchez Millan, four, in light welterweight bouts.

(11-05-82)

▲ **VITORIA**—Bantamweight prospect J. Ignacio Martinez Antunez outpointed Vicenter Hernandez, six. Martinez Antunez now has an 11-1-1 record.

(11- -82)

▲ **LEON**—Roberto Castanon won the vacant European junior lightweight crown by stopping Daniel Londas, France, in the ninth round. Castanon is now 51-2-1. Londas is 20-1.

Alfonso Redondo kayoed Mohamed Chino in the second. Redondo is now 19-2 with 15 stoppages and is the Spanish welter champ.

Light middleweight Jose Ignacio Real outpointed Ben Aisa, six.

Gitano Gabarri outscored Jose Manuel Ibanez Arenas, six rounds, lightweights.

(11-06-82)

▲ **LAS PALMAS**—Victor Jorge (Sendin) outscored "Jose" Perez Pacheco, four, lightweights. Manuel Dominguez Pena outpointed Eduardo Perez Santana, six, light middles.

(11-12-82)

▲ **BURGOS**—Lightweight Jesus Matilla outpointed Ben Murillo, eight rounds, lightweigths.

(11-13-82)

▲ **SALAMANCA**—Vicente Fernandez outscored Fermin Gallardo, six rounds, feathers. Angel Coque won by a disqualification over German Nunez in the second session, bantams.

(11-13-82)

▲ **SANTANDER**—Angel Sierra and Julian Melian Sierra, drew, six, light welterweights.

(11-13-82)

▲ **LOGRONO**—Fernando (Chino) Sanchez outpointed Manuel Salinas, six, welters.

(11-20-82)

SWITZERLAND

▲ **THONON**—French flyweight champion Antoine Montero outpointed Roberto Serreli, eight.

(112-82)

▲ **CAROUGES**—Antoine Montero took his unbeaten run to 15 with a points win over Giovanni Camputaro, eight. The 26-year-old southpaw is now 15-0-1.

▲ **BERNE**—Zaire born Jo Kimpuani won a close decision over Ronald Zenon, 10, in a bout to find a challenger for the French welter title. The 33-year-old Kimpuani is now 60-4.

Austrian middleweight champion Franz Dorfer looked unlucky to lose to Moussa Kassongo Mukandjo, Zaire, eight. Enrico Scacchia outpointed Ferdinand Pachler, eight, light middles.

(12-26-82)

▲ **NOTES**—Europe's Fighter of The Year for 1982 was Rudi Koopmans, with Luigi Minchillo second, Tony Sibson third, Colin Jones fourth, and Lucien Rodriguez, fifth.

Boys to watch in 1982 are heavyweights Frank Bruno and Maik Krol, light heavies Ricard Caramanolis and Manfred Jassman, middleweights Mark Kaylor and Paul Tchoue, light middleweights Brian Anderson and Darwin Brewster, welters Alfonso Redondo, light welterweight Ace Rusevski, lightweights Rene Weller and Tony Willis, featherweight Barry McGuigan, bantamweights Walter Giorgetti and Hugh Russell, flyweights Keith Wallace, Antoine Montero, and Franco Cherchi.

The big surprise at the end of the year was the retirement of

Pat Cowdell. The European champion wanted to spend more time with his family, and had promised he would go out still on top. He had been lined up for a big payday with an easy title defense against Francis Tripp in Lyons, France, and still had hopes of a second shot at the WBC crown.

There were 25 European title fights in 1982: four heavyweight, two light heavy, two middleweight, three light middleweight, three welterweight, one light welter, two lightweight, two junior light, two featherweight, three bantamweight, and one flyweight.

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UNITED KINGDOM

▲ **LONDON—Bloomsbury Crest Hotel**—In his second comeback fight in Britain, former champion Joe Bugner, 233½, beat Eddie Neilson, Swindon, the bout being stopped in round five when Neilson had cuts around the right eye.

On paper, this will go down as a quick victory, but it wasn't that impressive. In spite of sustaining the first eye injury in the opening round, Neilson was never on the canvas, and never looked like going down.

Bugner must have thought he had a simple task when the eye injury came so early in the fight, but, although he probably won every round and jabbed well, the power was lacking in his punch.

Full marks to Neilson for not giving in. His case was a hopeless one, but he kept going, and even shook his man in round four with a left hook that sent his fans into ecstacies. But the end was inevitable.

Referee Sid Nathan kept careful observation on the eye injuries, and made a timely intervention after 57 seconds of round five.

Taking into consideration the fact that it was only Bugner's fourth bout in nearly six years, he must still be ring-rusty and therefore must not be pre-judged. A few more fights will give a better idea of his ability and if he can still be considered a world class contender.

But Joe can only be judged by his performances against better class opposition.

Darwin Brewster, Cardiff, 152½, outpointed Steve Johnson, Liverpool, over eight by a narrow 79-78½. It was the latter's first contest as a light middle, and he boxed well. But Brewster kept on the attack, and just got his nose in front—in spite of a cut by the left eye in round seven.

Errol Christie, 163¼, former top amateur, won his second pro fight by stopping Jimmy Ellis, Sheffield, 165, the referee intervening in round three after Ellis had been in round two and was under severe pressure in the following session.

Rocky Kelly, Acton, 145, beat Steve Henty, Brighton, 151, the bout being stopped in round four when Henty looked tired and taking punches without reply.

Judas Clottey, Ghana, 149, drew with Johnny Andrews, 149½, six.

Martin Patrick, Tottenham, 156¼, kept his unbeaten record by narrowly outpointing Mark Kelly, Stoke, 159, over six by 59-58½.
(12-09-82)

▲ **LONDON—Elephant & Castle Leisure Centre**—Southern Area welter champion Sid Smith, Forest Hill, 148, scored a narrow eight-round points win over Welsh title holder Billy Waith, 148¼, who looked completely astonished when the decision went against him. Scoreline: 79-78½.

Waith boxed in his usual fashion, showing a clever defense, making his opponent miss and always giving the impression that he was well in command. Yet again, as usual, he didn't do enough positive work, allowing Smith to attack continuously.

At the end Smith, was marked by both eyes and bled from the nose. But the referee decided that his aggression was worth more than Waith's skill.

T.P. Jenkins, Brentford, 163, drew with Richard Wilson, Nuneaton, 159, and this meant that both preserved their unbeaten records.

Terry Smith, Covent Garden, 135½, beat Tommy Cooke, Larkhall, 137¾, who was retired at the end of the opening round with a cut by the right eye.

Jack Sharp, Lewisham, 158, was fully extended in outpointing Mick Courtney, Finchley, 158½, over six by 59½-58½.

Jimmy Singleton, 143, (cousin of former British light welter champ Joey Singleton), made a successful debut by outscoring Dave Springer, 141, not losing a round. Scoreline: 60-57 after six.

Shaun Shinkwin, Borehamwood, 129, narrowly outpointed Carl Gaynor, Manchester, 129½, by 59½-59 over six.

Down is round two, Jerry Golden, Manchester, got up to outpoint Glenroy Taylor. Another narrow victory with a six-round. Scoreline of 59½-59.
(11-29-82)

▲ **BIRMINGHAM—Arden Sporting Club**—Alec Irvine, Midlands Area featherweight champion, 128½, beat Dean Marsden, Leeds, 129, the bout being stopped in round four after Marsden had been down three times. After doing well for three rounds. Marsden had no answer to Irvine's devastating right hand punching.

Gary Buckle, Wednesbury, 144, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Neville Wilson, Wolverhampton, 150, eight.

Dave Scott, Telford, 167, outscored Alex Romeo, Leicester, by 59-58, six.

Dave Garside, Hartlepool, 207, gained a six-round points victory over Frank Robinson, Wednesbury.
(11-29-82)

▲ **STOKE—European Sporting Club**—Jimmy Duncan, Islington, 127, narrowly outscored Mervyn Bennett, Cardiff, 130, by 78½-78 over eight. A real close one throughout, and loser, Bennett, had the satisfaction of being nominated by Joe Bugner as the Best Boxer Of The Night.

Dalton Jordan, Lecister, 154, outscored Rocky Severino, 157, over six by 59-58½.

Alf Edwards, Manchester, 152, didn't lose a round in outpointing Dave Harrison, 154, over six by 60-58. The latter was decked in round five.

Also over six, Denny Garrison, 140, outscored Gary Lucas, Liverpool, 138, by 59-58½.
(11-24-82)

▲ **SUNDERLAND—Tyneside Sports Stadium**—Darwin Brewster, 150½, outpointed Graeme Ahmed, Sunderland, 155½, over 10 by a narrow 99-98½

Brewster jabbed accurately and often with his southpaw right, took an early lead, survived some heavy punching in the middle rounds, and kept his jab going to just get home.

Derek Nelson, Sunderland, 144, beat John Lindo, Bradford, 146, the referee intervening in round four after Lindo had been down twice.

Down twice in the opening session, Ray Plant, South Shields, 126, survived to outpoint Mohammed Lovelock, 127½, over six by 59-58.

Kevin Howard, Sunderland, 129, outpointed Steve Pollard, Hull, 128, over six by 59½-58½.

Gordon Pratt, Stockton, 148½, didn't lose a round outscoring Elvis Morton, Leicester, 151½, by 60-57½ over six. Pratt was cut by the right eye in the final session.

Ian Henderson-Thynne, Middlesbrough, 161½, made a successful debut by beating Dave King, Glasgow, 154, the bout being halted at the end of round two when King was cut by the right eye.
(11-25-82)

▲ **WOLVERHAMPTON—Sporting Club**—Cordwell Hylton, Walsall, 177, defeated Winston Burnett, Cardiff, 176, the referee intervening in round five after Burnett had been down.

Alex Romeo, Leicester, 172, outpointed Steve Davies, Sawnsea, 164, over six by a narrow 59-58½.

Graham Clark, Cardiff, 120, a promising 18-year-old, gained his second straight win as a pro by outscoring debutant Dave Pratt, Leicester, 120, over six by 60-58, not losing a round.

John Davies, Swansea, 160, outscored Clifton Wallace, Birmingham, 162, by 59½-57½.

Mike Harris, Swansea, 134, outscored Eddie Morgan, Leicester, 129, over six by 59½-57½.
(11-23-82)

▲ **MORLEY—Town Hall**—Joey Frost, Liverpool, 147, won the vacant Central Area welter title by beating Peter Bennett, Sheffield, also 147, the bout being stopped in round four with Bennett no longer punching back.

Debutant Jimmy Thornton, Sheffield, 129, outpointed Stuart Carmichael, Hull, 124, over six by a narrow 59½-59. A good fight to watch.

Gary Williams, 137, beat Paul Keen, Hartlepool, 136, the bout being stopped at the end of round three with Keen cut by the left eye.

Mark Davey, Leeds, 139, made it four wins in a row by outpointing Peter Flanagan, Manchester, 138, over six by 60-58, not losing a round.

Another who didn't lose a round was Peter Phillips, Dinnington, 147, who outpointed debutant Dave Heather, Doncaster, 146. Scoreline: 60-58½.
(11-25-82)

▲ **EDGBASTON—Tower Ballroom**—Tony Willis, Birmingham, 137¼, advanced his claims to a fight for the British lightweight title by beating former British and European champion Charlie Nash, 138, the bout being stopped in round three after Nash had been decked twice.

A left cross put Nash down halfway through the opening session and a right hook floored him again in round three. He rose at eight, but was obviously still dazed, and the referee intervened.

Whether Nash will now decide to retire is uncertain, but doubts must be cast on his future.

Steve Early, Coventry, 142, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Tony Brown, also 142, eight. Scoreline: 79-76½.

Martin McGough, Coventry, 146, kayoed substitute Glen Crump, 150, in the sixth and final round with a right cross after decking him for seven in round four. McGough was decked in round two.

Kostas Petrou, Birmingham, 146½, outscored Sylvester Gordon, Peckham, 147½, over eight by 79½-78. It was Petrou's seventh straight win.

John Davies, Swansea, 149, defeated Ian Murray, Birmingham, 149, the bout being stopped in round five with Murray cut by the left eye. when they met five days before the result was a draw.
(12-06-82)

▲ **STAFFORD—Trentham Gardens**—Stuart Shaw, Nottingham, 129¼, won the vacant Midlands Area lightweight crown by stopping Lee Halford, Leicester, 135, the referee intervening at the end of round six after Halford had been down in round two, was cut by the left eye, and bled from the nose and mouth. He looked ahead at that stage, but the injuries were too severe.

Davis Pratt, Leicester, 123, outpointed George Bailey, Bradford, 119, over six by 59½-58.

John Davies, Swansea, 156, drew with Ian Murray, Birmingham, 153, six.

Les Remicke, Leicester, 135½, narrowly outscored Rocky Mensah, Ghana, 142, over six by 59½-59.

Errol Dennis, Wolverhampton, 148, beat David Maxwell, Leicester, 149, who went down in round two complaining of a knee injury. The referee stopped the bout, and it was found that Maxwell had strained ligaments.
(12-01-82)

▲ **BRIGHTON—Regency Sporting Club**—George Danahar, Brighton, 165½, outpointed Geoff Rhymer, Hull, 167¼, over eight by 79-78.

John Fallon, Hull, 191, didn't lose a round in outpointing Steve Howard, Battersea, 207¾, over six by 60-58.

Former Irish international amateur Terry Magee, 151½, made a fine debut by outscoring Robbie Turner, Lewes, 158, over six by a narrow 59-58½. A good crowd pleaser that brought nobbins from the fans.
(11-29-82)

▲ **GLASGOW—Morleys Nite Spot**—Clyde Ruan, 127, beat Terry McKeown, 127½, who retired in round five after being down twice.

Dave Haggerty, Paisley, outscored Tony Carroll, Liverpool, by a narrow 59½-59 over six in a lightweight bout.

In another lightweight contest, Gerry Devine, Paisley, drew with Craig, Walsh, Bradford.

Phil O'Hare, Manchester, outpointed Jim Kelly, Wishaw, by 59½-58½. Some thought the latter deserved at least a draw.

Jim Paton, Paisley, made a successful pro debut by narrowly outpointing Ron Shinkwin, Borehamwood, over four by 39½-39.
(11-26-82)

▲ **BRISTOL—Locarno Ballrooms**—Nick Jenkins, Bristol, 161½, beat Vince Gajny 161, the referee intervening in round seven. Gajny had been shaken by a right hand and was under presure, but he wasn't happy about the stoppage. It was his first defeat.

Peter Ahmed, Cardiff, 143¼, beat Colin Negle, Merthyr, 144, the bout being stopped in round two after the latter had been down.

Shaun Shinkwin, Borehamwood, 127, drew with Eddie Morgan, 126½, six.

Steve Tempro, Leicester, 145¼, outpointed Elvis Morton, Leicester, 147, not losing any of the six rounds. Scoreline: 60-59.

Graham Clarke, Cardiff, 120¾, outscored Howard Williams, Merthyr, 116, over six by 60-58, also not losing a round.
(12-06-82)

▲ **MANCHESTER—Angle American Sporting Club**—Lee Hartshorn, Manchester, 150, outpointed Ian Chantler, 148, over eight by 79-78.

Tommy Heffron, Oldham, 156, gained a six-rounds points win over Dale Henderson, Middlesbrough, 162. Scoreline: 59-58½.

After a long period of inactivity, Stan Atherton, Liverpool, 141, returned to the ring, but was outpointed by Peter Flanagan, Manchester, 143½.

Peter Phillips, Dinnington, 146, outscored Pat Belshaw, Nottingham, 142, over six by 59½-58½.
(12-06-82)

▲ **LONDON—Royal Albert Hall**—David Pearce, Newport, 204½, official contender for the British heavyweight title, drew with Spanish champion Felipe Rodriguez, 197½, 10.

Many Pearce fans did not agree with the verdict, but, though David looked the harder puncher, Rodriguez was the more accurate.

Frank Bruno, 214½, disposed of Gilberto Acuna, 224, in just 40 seconds, the referee intervening after Acuna went down from a right hand. It was Bruno's ninth successive win, all inside the distance, and Acuna's ninth defeat in 21 bouts.

Mark Kaylor, West Ham, 159½, kayoed Spaniard Juan Munoz-Holgado, 163, in round two with a right to the jaw. It was the unbeaten Kaylor's 19th win in a row, and the Spaniard's seven defeat in 13 bouts.

Dennis Pryce, Wolverhampton, kayoed Billy Waith, 152½, the Welsh welter champion in round two with a right to the jaw. Normally, defense is Billy's strong point, but that one got through.

R.W. Smith, St. Ives, 151½, kept his unbeaten record by knocking out substitute Robert Armstrong, Doncaster, 152, in the opening round with a right hand.

Funso Banjo, a Nigerian based in London, 216, outpointed Mick Chmilowskj, Edmonton, 193½, over eight by 79½-76½. Not an inspiring contest, and when they met last time, Bruno stopped his man in six.

Cameron Lithgow, Swindon, 156, beat Steve Davies, Pembroke, 157¼, the referee intervening after Davies had been down twice.
(12-07-82)

▲ **LONDON—National Sporting Club**—Dave Allen, Conisbrough, 139¾, outscored Lloyd Christie, Wolverhampton, 143¾, over eight by 79-77½. A comfortable victory, with Christie cut by the left eye and a weary man at the end.

Returning after inactivity, Najib Daho, Manchester, 129, outpointed Lee Graham, Finchley, 129, by 79½-78½, also over eight.

Taking part in his second bout, Danny Flynn, Edinburgh, 111¾, beat debutant Gary Roberts, 112, Wolverhampton, who had ceased punching back when the referee intervened in the sixth and final round.

Terry Magge, 159, Irish-born and Welsh-based, narrowly outscored Tony Baker, New Cross, by 59-58½ over six.
(12-08-82)

▲ **NEWQUAY—Headland Hotel**—This was the first professional bill to be held in the county of Cornwall in two years. It was a dinner-boxing evening, similar to those which take place in the various Sporting Clubs around Britain, but, unfortunately for co-promoters Roger Moyle and Neil Roberts, several of the original boxers had to withdraw.

Hastily, a new top liner was put together, and proved a good one, even though Dennis Sullivan, Plymouth, won every round in outpointing Robert Welburn, Hull, over eight by 80-77.

Welburn was down in the opening session from a left hook, but survived.

Heavyweights John Westgarth, Newcastle, and Andrew Garrard, Risca, drew over six. Not an inspiring bout.

In a welterweight contest, Kevin Johnson, Birmingham, beat Daryl Lindsey, the bout being halted in round four after the latter had been decked twice.

Lightweight Glyn Mitchell, Plymouth, didn't lose a round in outscoring Jonathan Newell, Newport, by 40-38½ over four.
(11-29-82)

▲ **NOTTINGHAM—Great International Sporting Club**—Clifton Wallace, Wolverhampton, 168, beat Joey

Saunders, 158, the referee intervening at the end of round four when the latter was cut by the left eye.

Sammy Rogers, 137, drew with Glyn Mitchell, 139½, over six. Good one to watch.

John Westgarth, Newcastle, 217, didn't lose a round in outpointing Frank Robinson, 218½, over six by 60-56½. The latter was decked for eight by a left hook.

Bert Myrie, 159¼, kayoed Peter Stockdale, 156¼, in the opening round with a right to the chin. The bell interrupted the count at seven, but, under the rules, it continued.
(12-06-82)

▲ **SOUTHEND—20th Century Sporting Club**—Mick Mills, Sheffield, 153, outpointed Martin McEwan, Birmingham, 160, over eight by 79-77½. A good fight to watch, and Mills clinched it with a grandstand finish.

Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 149, disposed of Alex Brown, Willesden, 147, in just 58 seconds of the opening session.

Steve Gee, Birmingham, 217, easily outscored Theo Josephs, Halifax, 192, over six by 60-57½, not losing a round.

Ian Lazarus, Leeds, 174, beat John Moody, 172, the referee intervening in round two when Moody was cut by the left eye following a clash of heads.
(12-07-82)

▲ **WOLVERHAMPTON—Civic Hall**—Mickey Bker, Wednesbury, 138, beat Andy Thomas, Swansea, 135, who retired at the end of the first round after being down three times.

Steve Babbs Swansea, 178, kayoed Cordwell Hylton, Walsall, 177, in round one with a right hook.

Gary Buckle, Wednesbury, 146, narrowly outscored Dan Myers, 149½, over eight by 79-78½.

Alex Romeo, Leicester, 163½, outpointed Rob Wada, Wolverhampton, over six. Wada was down in round four.

John Humpreys, Shrewsbury, 168, didn't lose a round in outpointing Clive Beardsley, Melbourne, 171, by 60-57½ over six.

Davey Cox, Northempton, 152, outscored Elvis Morton, Leicester, 148, by 59½-58 over six.
(11-13-82)

RON OLVER

AFRICA

NIGERIA

▲ **BENIN CITY**—Davidson Andeh was given a hometown decision over Langton Tinago in a lightweight 12. Tinago's contract called for a 10-round bout, but the local officials changed it to a 12 when both boxers were in the ring. Only the presence of 10, 000 Andeh fans stopped a walkout by Tinago.

The fight went on, but was a dull affair, with Tinago showing what little aggression there was. Andeh will go on to challenge Claude Noel for the Commonwealth lightweight title, while Tinago, from Zimbabwe, hopes to fight for the vacant Commonwealth junior lightweight crown.

Billy Save retained his Nigerian light heavy title with a split decision over Sonny Emovon.
(12-18-82)

▲ **LAGOS**—Saphiu Okebadan won the vacant African Boxing Union junior lightweight crown with a decision over Dan Lawyer, Ghana, 15.

Hogan Jimoh kayoed Pesu Roger in the second, lightweights.
(12-14-82)

▲ **LAGOS**—Eric Boone retained his West African featherweight title knocking out Abbey Daniel in three.
(12- -82)

ZAMBIA

▲ **LUSAKA**—Lotte Mwale retained his African Boxing Union light heavyweight crown by knocking out Kid Power, Zimbabwe, in round 13 of a scheduled 15. Mwale outboxed the tough Power, and the Kid's left eye was completely closed by round 10. A hard right knocked Power through the ropes in the 13th, and the challenger just failed to make it back into the ring before the 10-count.

Willie Chikomo, Zimbabwe, outscored Alfred Banga, Zambia, eight, light welters.

Zambian lightweight king John Sitchula stopped Ray Akway, Ghana, in three.

Patrick Lyampensha halted Enoch Chamba in round seven, light heavies.

Flywell Botha outscored Doba Doba, bantams.
(11-28-82)

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Trevor Berbick (Canada)
1. Joe Bugner (England)
2. Neville Meade (England)
3. Gordon Racette (Canada)
4. David Pearce (Wales)
5. Billy Aird (England)
6. Frank Bruno (England)
7. Ken Lakusta (Canada)
8. Eddie Neilson (England)
9. Maile Haumona (Tonga)
10. Vedric Parson (Canada)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Lotte Mwale (Zambia)
1. Tony Mundine (Australia)
2. Mustapha Wasajja (Uganda)
3. John Odehimaba (Uganda)
4. Chisanda Mutti (Zambia)
5. Alex Sua (New Zealand)
6. Tom Collins (England)
7. Don Lalonde (Canada)
8. Kid Power (Zimbabwe)
9. Roddy McDonald (Canada)
10. Graham Murray (Australia)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Tony Sibson (England)
2. Murray Sutherland (Canada)
3. Roy Gumbs (England)
4. Ralph Hollett (Canada)
5. Monty Betham (New Zealand)
6. Steve Dennis (Australia)
7. Wayne Caplette (Canada)
8. Mark Kaylor (England)
9. Glen McEwan (England)
10. Lancelot Innis (Canada)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Herol Graham (England)
1. Mike McCallum (Jamaica)
2. Ayub Kalule (Uganda)
3. Kenny Bristol (Guyana)
4. John Mugabi (Uganda)
5. Rocky Mattioli (Australia)
6. Reggie Ford (Guyana)
7. Jimmy Batten (England)
8. Ken Salisbury (Australia)
9. Brian Anderson (England)
10. Hunter Clay (Nigeria)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Colin Jones (Wales)
1. Kirkland Laing (England)
2. Mark Harris (Guyana)
3. Mario Cusson (Canada)
4. Frank Ropis (Australia)
5. Sakarai Ve (Tonga)
6. Josef Nsubuga (Uganda)
7. Colin Power (England)
8. Fitzroy Guiseppe (Belize)
9. Brian Janssen (Australia)
10. Danny Poole (Canada)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Obisia Nwankpa (Nigeria)
1. Lennox Blackmoore (Guyana)
2. Clinton McKenzie (England)
3. Peter Berrigan (Australia)
4. Jeff Malcolm (Australia)
5. Sylvester Mittee (England)
6. Alan Lamb (England)
7. Mike Parsons (Trinidad)
8. George Peacock (England)
9. Nick Furlano (Canada)
10. Terry Marsh (England)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Claude Noel (Trinidad)
1. Barry Michael (Australia)
2. Langton Tinago (Zimbabwe)
3. George Feeney (England)
4. Davidson Andeh (Nigeria)
5. Hogan Jimoh (Nigeria)
6. Ray Cattouse (England)
7. Gaetan Hart (Canada)
8. Gary Williams (Australia)
9. David Kotey (Ghana)
10. Lance Williams (England)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Azumah Nelson (Nigeria)
1. Pat Cowdell (England)
2. Patrick Ford (Guyana)
3. Eddie Ndukwu (Nigeria)
4. Charm Chiteule (Zambia)
5. Steve Sims (Wales)
6. Barry McGuigan (Ireland)
7. Kabiru Akendele (Nigeria)
8. Vernon Penprase (England)
9. Paul Huggins (England)
10. Clyde Ruan (England)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Paul Ferreri (Australia)
1. John Feeney (England)
2. Francis Musankabala (Zambia)
3. Mike Irungu (Kenya)
4. Hugh Russell (Ireland)
5. Stix Macloud (Zimbabwe)
6. Davy Larmour (Ireland)
7. Glenn Walsh (Australia)
8. Peter Jones (Wales)
9. Little Joe (Nigeria)
10. Hector Clottey (Ghana)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Stephen Muchoki (Kenya)
1. Charlie Magri (England)
2. Keith Wallace (England)
3. Wayne Mulholland (Australia)
4. Kelvin Smart (Wales)
5. Dave George (Wales)
6. Steve Bell (Australia)
7. Ian Clyde (Canada)
8. Kid Sumaila (Ghana)
9. Junior Thompson (Australia)
10. Bobby Williams (Australia)

The junior lightweight title is vacant.

Contenders: Cornelius Boza-Edwards (England), Tiger Man (Papua), Billy Moeller (Australia), Safiu Okeibadan (Nigeria).

ORIENT

JAPAN

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—The annual Carnival of Champions was held this month. All Japanese champions appeared at the Hall and put their titles on the line against the top contenders.

Elongated Yoshimitsu Azato, 130, the WBA's eighth ranked junior lightweight, scored a spectacular kayo over Hikaru Tomonari, also 130, the WBA's number three contender, in 2:35 of the sixth round of a scheduled 10. Referee, Takeshi Shimakawa. Azato, 22, a bright prospect, boosted his log to 13-1-1 with eight kayoes. Tomonari fell to 20-6-1 with 10 knockouts.

Japanese welterweight champ Junya (Mitsuo) Kushikino, 146, flattened Kazuhiko Yasuda, 146½, in 2:57 of the second round in their scheduled 10. Hiroyuki Tezaki, referee. Kushikino, upped his record to 20-13 with 16 kayoes. Yasuda, eight years his junior at 20, dropped to 7-4-1 with five knockouts.

Flyweight Puma Koya engaged in a two-round exhibition with ex-WBC titlist Shoji Oguma. This was Puma's final appearance in the squared circle, as he had announced his retirement. A fighter usually shines at least once in his career. Puma once amazed the crowd at the Hall by scoring an upset nod over previously unbeaten Tadashi Tomori, the future WBC light flyweight champ, on November 24, 1979. Last year, Puma had ambitious cracks at Yong-Hyun Kim's OPBF crown and Masaharu Inami's Japanese throne, but in vain. Puma's overall record was 16-26-2 with four kayoes. Despite his lack of power and skills, he was a crowd pleaser with non-stop rallies.

Lefty Dragon Hayakawa, 121¼, downed Hisashi Ishikawa, 124¼, to the ropes and was awarded a TKO win at 2:45 of the third round of a supporting eight.

Four-rounders: Keiichi Ozaki, 111, closely decisioned Yusuke Matsumura, 112. Kazuichi Murata, 119½, stopped Seiichi Sato, 121¼, at 1:15 in the third session. Toru Kaburagi, 118, halted Kazuhiko Shudo, also 118, at 1:49 of the third canto. Isao Haraguchi, 115¼, won a shutout decision from Nobuhiko Terada, 115¾, in the opener. Both their pro debut.

Shichiro Kimura's Shin-Nippon Kimura Promotions. Fuji TV.
Attendance—2,300.
(11-01-82)

▲ **TOKYO—Korakuen Hall**—Ex-WBA junior middleweight kingpin Tadashi Mihara, 154, challenged Japanese champ Katsuhiro Sawada, 153¾, and demolished him with five knockdowns in 1:37 of the fifth round in a scheduled 10. Mihara dropped the defending champ twice in the fourth, and thrice more the fatal session. Mihara, 27, is 17-1 with 12 kayoes. Sawada, a yer his junior, is 14-6-1 with nine kayoes. Kodai Kumazaki, referee.

Another new champion was born, as southpaw Akio Kameda, 140, won lopsided decision over rough and tough Tatsuya Moriyasu, 136¼, 10. Official scoring: ref Ken Morita, judges Hiroyuki Tezaki and Takeo Ugo, all 100-90, giving Kameda every round. The 5' 11" Kameda, 25, improved to 18-1 with 14 kayoes. Moriyasu who works in Agricultural Union in Okayama City, dropped to 12-14 with six knockouts.

Four-rounders: Masayuki Ono, 122½, polished off Tadashi Hatakeyama, 123, at 1:52 of the first round. Mitsuharu Eimori, 112, came off the canvas and stopped Mazuhiro Owada, 111¾, at 1:40 of the second. Lefty Kinya Kakamura, 108, unanimously beat Toshitsugu Mitsui, also 108. Koji Ueda, 122, looked impressive finishing Etsuro Maya, 120½, at 1:54 of the first canto. Taller lefty Tetsuo Nogami, 108, won a majority nod from Kimiaki Tamai, 108, in the opener.

Hitoshi Misako's Misako Promotions. Fuji TV.
Attendance—2,200.
(11-02-82)

▲ **OSAKA—Osaka Prefectural Gymnasium**—The annual *Shinjin-o* (Novice King) tournaments are coming to an end. Encounters between winners in the Osaka and Kyushu Zones made up the card. The winners are to meet those in the Nagoya Zone, and the victors thereof will compete against those in the Tokyo Zone in the All-Japan *Shinjin-o* finals.

Welterweight: Takanobu Suzuki, 145½, earned a unanimous nod (double 60-55 and 59-57) from Buffalo Miyamoto, 143, six.

Junior welterweight: Moriyoshi Miyagi, 138¾, eked out a split decision from Takashi Tsukada, 139, six.

Ligthweight: Yoshitaka Misumi, 134, stopped Tomoharu Ogawa, also 134, at 1:10 into the second round of a six. Misumi, a son of the Fukuoka Teiken Club owner, is 4-0 with a kayo.

ORIENTAL & PACIFIC RATINGS
BY THE ORIENTAL & PACIFIC BOXING FEDERATION
(AS OF DECEMBER 21, 1982)

The Oriental & Pacific Boxing Federation does not rank boxers ranked by the WBC or WBA.

HEAVYWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Maile Haumona (Australia)
2. Marc Ecimovic (Australia)
3. Young Haumona (Australia)
4. Larry Tattoo (Australia)
5. Gary Fuller (Australia)
6. Garry Hubble (Australia)
7. Kevin Wagstaff (Australia)
8. Reno Zurik (Australia)
9. Niki Skoric (Australia)
10. Daniel Saylor (Australia)

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
Champion
Soo-Hang Lee (Korea)
1. Graham Murray (Australia)
2. Byung-Rae Yuh (Korea)
3. Phil McElwaine (Australia)
4. Son-Kap Choi (Korea)
5. Con O'Connor (Australia)
6. Clint Brown (Australia)
7. Nash Bula (Australia)
8. John Layton (Australia)
9. Peter Hewitt (Australia)
10. Ricky Patterson (Australia)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
Chong-Pal Park (Korea)
1. Kenji Miyata (Japan)
2. Chang-Il Lim (Korea)
3. Steve Dennis (Australia)
4. Kyung-Min Na (Japan)
5. Kenji Shibata (Japan)
6. Suwarno (Indonesia)
7. Phil Davies (Australia)
8. Keitoku Senriba (Japan)
9. Chang-Hwan Noh (Korea)
10. Billy Johnstone (Australia)

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS
Champion
In-Chul Baek (Korea)
1. Chong-Ho Kim (Korea)
2. Katsuhiro Sawada (Japan)
3. Ken Salisbury (Australia)
4. Alex Temelkov (Australia)
5. Kyung-Soon Kim (Korea)
6. Albert (Indonesia)
7. Dave Sarago (Australia)
8. Jae-Hyung Yuh (Korea)
9. Yohi Arai (Japan)
10. Tomohiro Nagao (Japan)

WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Jun-Sok Hwang (Korea)
1. Seung-Soon Lee (Korea)
2. Jyunya Kushikino (Japan)
3. Piet Gomeis (Indonesia)
4. Mike de Guzman (Philippines)
5. Frank Ropis (Australia)
6. Jae-Yong Park (Korea)
7. Satanfa S. Pratip (Thailand)
8. Brian Janssen (Australia)
9. Kyu-Sang Yuh (Korea)
10. Tongta Kiatvayupak (Thailand)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Sang-Hyun Kim (Korea)
1. Ruben Rabago (Philippines)
2. Kongrag Vocharernrat (Thailand)
3. Kyung-Hwan Chae (Korea)
4. Ryutaro Otsuki (Japan)
5. Thomas Americo (Indonesia)
6. Gar Atayde (Philippines)
7. Peter Berrigan (Australia)
8. Yong-Dae Kim (Korea)
9. Kanakorn Thaphoothai (Thailand)
10. Fernando Gloria (Philippines)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Championship
Vacant
1. Rolando Aldemir (Philippines)
2. Fujio Ozaki (Japan)
3. Downthong Chuvatana (Thailand)
4. Hong-Kyu Lim (Korea)
5. Kai Siong (Indonesia)
6. Park Hang (Korea)
7. Flash Villamer (Philippines)
8. Cheyenne Yamamoto (Japan)
9. Jenrub Muangsurin (Thailand)
10. Juari (Indonesia)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Tae-Jin Moon (Korea)
1. Albert Duldulao (Philippines)
2. Yang Il (Korea)
3. Rod Sequenan (Philippines)
4. Yonekura Ikhoni (Japan)
5. Phadedsuk Pisnurachun (Thailand)
6. Dong-Koo Woo (Korea)
7. Luluk Ushwhir (Indonesia)
8. Ryu Fukida (Japan)
9. Dorn Sornsakdisith (Thailand)
10. Ridwan (Indonesia)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Hwan-Kil Yuh (Korea)
1. Tishiyuki Tanaka (Japan)
2. Nugprachun Kiatkumchai (Thailand)
3. Oh-Yung Lee (Korea)
4. Ronald Sumalis (Philippines)
5. Min-Keun Oh (Korea)
6. Kid Hassan (Indonesia)
7. Erning Queroben (Philippines)
8. Santhi Donjadee (Thailand)
9. Iijiro Kuruma (Japan)
10. Shane Rank (Australia)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Soon-Hyun Chung (Korea)
1. Little Bangoyan (Philippines)
2. Hiroyuki Iwamoto (Japan)
3. Chan-Jung Chun (Korea)
4. Monod (Indonesia)
5. Dejavarin Hollywood (Thailand)
6. Poker Peligrino (Philippines)
7. Yoshimu Oyama (Japan)
8. Seung-In Seo (Korea)
9. Sakda Saksuree (Thailand)
10. Sandy Noora (Philippines)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Eijiro Murata (Japan)
1. William Develos (Philippines)
2. Chuichi Isogami (Japan)
3. Sakpisamai Chorsirirat (Thailand)
4. Chung-Chul Park (Korea)
5. Ricky Tampubolon (Australia)
6. Chong-Soo Lee (Korea)
7. Leo Khaki (Philippines)
8. Glenn Walsh (Australia)
9. Makoto Taguchi (Japan)
10. Phichitsuk Kor-u-sayarm (Thailand)

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Soon-Chun Kwon (Korea)
1. Brabtorani Luklumpakchee (Thailand)
2. Diego de Villa (Philippines)
3. Jackal Maruyama (Japan)
4. Ok-Kyung Oh (Korea)
5. Wongso Indrajit (Indonesia)
6. Hiroyuki Seki (Japan)
7. Pharyoa Phooltharat (Thailand)
8. Siony Carupo (Philippines)
9. In-Wan Hwang (Korea)
10. Moningko Palugan (Indonesia)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Hong-Soo Yang (Korea)
1. Frank Cedeno (Philippines)
2. Petchgnam Chuvatana (Thailand)
3. Soon-Jong Kang (Korea)
4. Allan Makitoki (Philippines)
5. Dan Pisalchai (Thailand)
6. Munadi (Indonesia)
7. Wick Tengam (Philippines)
8. Yuto Kazaki (Japan)
9. Kiho Shin (Japan)
10. Juwarno (Indonesia)

Junior lightweight: Isamu Teramoto, 128½, halted Suejiro Kuramura, 128½, at 2:29 in the third round of a six. Teramoto is 4-0 with three KOs.

Junior featherweight: Fumio Ozaki, 120½, stopped Hiroshi Yamaguchi, 120½, at 2:27 of the second session in a six. Ozaki is 5-0 with two kayoes.

Bantamweight: Mitsuru Arasaki, 116¾, won a hairline split decision from Katsunori Nagamoto, 117½, six.

Junior bantamweight: Koichi Minami, 113½, outpointed Hiroshi Tsutsumi, 113¾, six.

Flyweight: Takuya Tsuji, 110½, won a lopsided decision over Shinichi Ogawa, 111¾, six.

Junior flyweight: Hiranobu Watakuchi, 107½, drew with Tatsuya Sugi, 106¼, six, but the former was chosen to proceed in tourney by the officials.

Featherweight Tomikazu Kaneshiro and middleweight Masahiro Shichisato were named victors by default due to their rivals' withdrawals.

Promoted by Shinjin-o Committee. No telecast.

Attendance—1,200.

(11-04-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Lanky lefty Koji Kobayashi, the WBC's sixth ranked junior bantie at 115, looked less than impressive, probably because of his recent lumbago, but took a unanimous decision over Filipino Rodrigo Saonoy, 113¾, in a dull 10. No knockdowns; the crowd jeered Kobayshi. Scoring: referee Yusaku Yoshida 99-94, judges Shoji Nakamori and Takeshi Shimakawa, 100-92 and 100-94, all for the 5' 7¾ " Koji.

Kobayashi, 25, is 18-1-3 with 12 kayoes. His sole loss was to current WBA champ Jiro Watanabe, a first round kayo in the All Japan *Shinjin-o* final in Osaka years ago.

In the semi-final 10, monotonous but powerful Ryutaro Otsuki, 139¾, caught Filipino veteran Max (Boy) Toyogon, 136½, 43 seconds into the fifth round. Otsuki, 24, is 10-4 with seven kayoes. The Filipino fell to 24-11-2 with nine KOs.

The second 10 saw lefty Young Hideo, 128¾, score a fine kayo over hard-hitting but lantern-jawed Masaharu Owada, 128¾, at 1:55 in the second round. Hideo, 23, is 7-4 with five KOs. Owada is 7-7-1 with six kayoes, and almost all of his defeats have been by knockout.

In the first 10, Yoshishige Tanaka, 126, won a unanimous verdict from Masayoshi Kashiwakura, also 126, Tanaka, ex-*Shijin-o* winner, is now 10-0 with four kayoes.

Six-rounders: Yasumasa Kawate, 117¾, was knocked out by Takaharu Nishimura, 117½, in 1:43 of the third round. Switch-hitting Kazuo Osamu, 117½, stopped Sadanoir Ozaki, 117½, at 1:23 of the third session in the opener.

Masao Suzuki's Kadoebi Promotions. Nippon TV.

Attendance—2,000

(11-05-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Japanese middleweight champ Kenji Miyata, 160, survived a first round knockdown and fought back to win a unanimous decision over Naoto Suzuki, a lefty puncher at 159¼, 10.

Scoring: referee Yusaku Yoshida 97-95, judges Masakazu Uchida and Takeo Ugo, 98-96, respectively, all for the 5'9 " champ.

Miyata, 25, is now 6-6 with three kayoes. Suzuki, 27, is 6-4 with six knockouts.

Following the retirement of ex-champ Spider Nemoto, an eliminator to decide the new featherweight titlist was fought by the JBC's top two contenders. Toshiyuki Tanaka, a taller boxer-puncher at 126, gamely mixed it with the brutal Kuniyoshi Kuwabara, 125¾, and won the vacant throne by a TKO at 1:27 of the eighth round in a 10.

Scoring after seven: referee Masakazu Uchida and judge Kodai Kumazaki both 69-67, and judge Yusaku Yoshida, 68-67, all for the 23-year-old Tanaka.

A head clash opened a big gash over the right eyebrow of Kuwabara in the first round. The bleeder desperately tried to score a knockout before the JBC physician advised the ref to stop it. But the crafty and gutsy Tanaka responded to his opponent's infighting, and it became a total war. Kuwabara's cut, however, worsened at the bout progressed and the third man was obliged to call a halt. A rematch is demanded by the fight crowd. Tanaka, piloted by Kenji Yonekura, is 13-1-2 with four kayoes. Kuwabara, 22, fell to 9-5-1 with six knockouts.

Four-rounders: Nozomu Okuda, 107¼, unanimously decisioned Hitoshi Sato, 108. Both were making their pro debuts. Eiichi Otsubo, 111¾, also decked his first pro bout by taking a majority decision from Ryuji Umeda, 112. Lefty Ryuji Ikeda, 109½, was awarded a TKO win over Yuzo Ota, 107¾, at 1:13 of the third round. The loser's corner tossed in the towel. Hiroshi Yamasako, 107½, eked out a majority nod from Hirofumi Hiramoto, 106½, in the opener.

Kenji Yonekura's Yonekura Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—2,000.

(11-08-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Rugged hooker Jackal (Ryoetsu) Maruyama, 115, regained the Japanese junior bantamweight title by stopping Tsutomo Itokazu, also 115, in 2:33 of the fourth round in a 10.

The fatal fourth was the Round of the Month. The crouching lefty Itokazu sent the challenger to the deck with a short right hook for the compulsory eight count. Jackal, however, came back strongly, and bombarded the champ with a flurry of punches that forced referee Ken Morita called a halt. Then, Itokazu collapsed prone on the deck. This was a rubber match. Jackal had stopped Itokazu in six onesided round when he was the champ, in February, 1981. After Jackal's relinquishment to fight Chul-Ho Kim for the WBC throne last November, Itokazu won the vacant title by decisioning talented but glass-jawed Satoshi Koguchi in October, 1981. Itokazu then accepted Jackal's challenge and demolished him in nine give-and-take rounds last February. Everytime they fought, it was a thriller.

Yukio Ozaki, 134¾, furiously fought back, downed Hayao Shiba, 134½, twice and was awarded a kayo win at 1:47 of the eighth round in the first 10. It was Ozaki's first defense since dethroning veteran Joken Narita via an upset decision last August. Shiba, the oldest active fighter in Japan, was 14 years his senior at 35.

Ozaki, a former high school amateur boxer, upped his log to 10-1 with six kayoes. Shiba is 14-7-1 with 11 knockouts.

Four-rounders: Hideki Ishida, 127¾, unanimously outscored Daisuke Sakai, 127. Toshiyuki Sato, 107¼, barely won a majority nod from Kazutoshi Arai, 106. Kazuyoshi Kashi, 108, TKO'd Jun Hoki, 107¼, at 1:00 into the fourth and final round. Junichi Minamizawa, 110¼, decisively beat Masaru Honma, 109¼. Tomoaki Yamada, 106½, made short work of Masao Otsuka, 100, in 2:29 of the first round in the opener.

Akihiko Honda's Teiken Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—2,000.

(11-09-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—On two successive days, the semi-finals of the *Shijin-o* tournaments in the Tokyo Zone took place before a comparative handful of spectators.

Four-rounders: Koji Aoki, 158¾, halted Noriyoshi Mitsutomi, 158¼, at 2:01 of the third round. Katsuyoshi Kawashita, 145¼, stopped Fujio Wakabayashi, 145½, in 2:40 of the opening session. Mitsunori Sato, 127½, scored a one-punch kayo over Masaru Matsumoto, 127¾, in 2:37 of the fourth and final round. Jitsuo Iwasaki, 125¾, halted Sadaya Suginaka, 124¼, at 1:20 of the third canto. Kenzo Ishibashi, 121½, won from Keigo Furuta, 122. Hiroaki Imazu, 116½, drew with Hirotaka Ishida, 117½, but the former was lucky enough to proceed to the final due to the JBC officials' choice. Yoichi Shirakawa, 114, unanimously decisioned 111¼, onesidedly whipped Kenji Nemoto, 112, and won via decision. Tadashi Kuramochi, 107¼, came off the canvas and barely but unanimously decisioned Tomhiro Kiyuna, 106½, in the opener.

East-Japan *Shinjin-o* Committee, promoter. No telecast.

Attendance—800

(11-12-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Ten four-rounders made up the card of the semi-finals in the *Shinjin-o* tourney in Tokyo Zone.

Makoto Mochizuki, 146¼, outscored Makot Yagihashi, 145¼. Norihiro Sekita, 140, utilized his southpaw style so well that he knocked down Shin Miyamoto, 140, twice and was awarded a kayo win at 0:48 of the third round. Eiji Okita, 134¼, won a majority decision from Masakazu Tanioka, 134¼. Okita's third round knockdown carried him to victory. Tiger Michigami, 128½, stopped Junichi Misawa, 129¾, at 2:10 of the second round. Michishige Wakatsuki, 126, ran his unbeaten log to 5-0 by a unanimous nod over Futoshi Iizuka, 125¼. Nobuharu Sekine, 121½, unanimously beat Chojun Yara, 122. Sekine is 6-0 with four kayoes. Kazuhisa Kinoshita, 117¼, knocked out Hiroshi Yamamoto, 117½, in 0:40 into the second session. Unbeaten Tadashi Maruo, 114, extended his kayo record to 4-0 with as many kayoes by finishing Sumiki Tokutome, 114¼, 26 seconds into the second round. Moriaki Arazaki, 112, outscored Masakatsu Toyooka, 111¾. Ikuo Watanabe, 108, decisioned Shingo Ishikura, 107¾, in the opener.

East-Japan Boxing Committee, promoter. No telecast.

Attendance—800.

(11-13-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Koki Ishii, 107½, moved down to the junior flyweight class for a crack at the Japanese title. Though heavily favored, Ishii was defuddled by the footwork of defending champ Katsumi Sato, 107½, and was held to a split draw, 10. Scoring: referee Masakazu Uchida, 98-96, Sato; judge Shoichi Kanaya, 98-97, Ishii; judge Takeo Ugo, 98-98. Ishii stalked the champ all the way, but Sato occasionally countered him with light but sharp straight rights. *The Ring* scored 97-96 in favor of the more aggressive Ishii.

Kazuyoshi Funaki, 111¾, lost his Japanese flyweight crown to Shuichi Hozumi, 112, via a unanimous decision, 10. Hozumi, the WBA's sixth ranked contender, was floored by a heavy right for the mandatory eight count in the second round. Hozumi then took almost every round by chasing the slower champ with sharp one-twos.

Scoring: referee Takeshi Shimakawa, 97-95; judges Takeo Ugo and Paul Field, 97-94 and 97-93—all for Hozumi.

The 22-year-old Hozumi, standing 5' 8", upped his log to 19-2 with five kayoes. Funaki, 27, fell to 12-14-3 (five knockouts).

Four-rounders: Unbeaten Masanao Ishikawa, 118, was held to a draw by Shigeji Tamaoki, 116¾. Ishikawa is 3-0-1 with a kayo. Yoshinori Kato, 125½, stopped Shigeru Kuniyasu, 124¾, at 1:10 of the third canto. Yasunaka Nakamura, 115, halted Makoto Otaki, also 115, at 2:07 in the first round. Yasuyuki Nakayama, 126, eked out a split duke over Fumitoushi Nakamura, 123¾, in the opener.

Kazuo Uchino's Uchino Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—2,000.

(11-15-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—It was the sixth and final day of this year's Carnival of Champions. But we saw the most lackluster performances in the two title goes.

Japanese bantamweight champ Shuichi Isogami, 117½, won a disputed split decision over ex-titlist Hurricane Teru, 118, 10. *The Ring* saw the close affair 98-97, Teru. Scoring: referee Hiroyuki Tezaki, 97-96, Teru; judges Takeshi Shimakawa and Masakazu Uchida, both 99-98, Isogami.

There were no knockdowns. Isogami monotonously came forward, and Teru, occasionally retreating, countered him for the entire contest. It was a bad decision. Isogami, 27, is 29-4-4 with 19 kayoes. Teru, 30, fell to 35-13-3 with 15 kayoes, and he announced his retirement from the ring after this controversial defeat.

Japanese junior featherweight champ Hiroyuki Iwamoto, 122, barely kept his crown with a majority decision over Fusao Imai, 121½, 10. Scoring: referee Kodai Kumazaki and Takeshi Shimakawa 98-95 and 98-97 for Iwamoto; judge Hiroyuki Tezaki, 97-97.

They continually exchanged light punches, it would have gone on all night if not stopped by the final bell. *The Ring* scored the close bout 98-97 for Imai due to his more effective rallies.

Lefty Kazuhiro Ikeda, 108, stopped Kiyomi Sato, 106¾, at 1:11 of the second round in a supporting eight. Ikeda, 19, is 10-1 with five kayoes. He looks bright, having served as a sparring partner of Shoji Oguma for the ex-WBC champ's crack at Jiro Watanabe's WBA junior bantam crown.

Four-rounders: Hitoshi Ito, 123½, outscored Koichi Tanaka, 120¼. Kazuo Hatayama, 111¼, unanimously decisioned Manabu Honma, 111¼. Masanobu Suzuki, 110½, dropped Hajime Sato, 112, once in the second, twice more in the third round, and stopped him at 0:58 of the third round in the opener.

Co-promoted by Yonekura and Shinto Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—2,000.

(11-16-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Mexican Roberto Ramirez is the WBC's fifth ranked super flyweight contender. He had fought ex-WBA flyweight boss Tae-Shik Kim and lost a disputed decision in Korea. But the winner, Kim, underwent an operation due to a brain injury suffered in this bout, and was obliged to say farewell to his career.

Ramirez, 113¼, made his debut in Japan and pummeled Takamichi Yamaga, 114½, into submission at 2:34 of the sixth round in a scheduled 10.

Though regarded as a bright hope with a fine 8-0 (four kayoes) record, he proved no match for the more powerful Roberto. The Mexican lacked finesse, but his roundhouse blows gradually overwhelmed the Japanese. Roberto made him take a standing count, and his follow-up caused ref Ken Morita to wisely call a halt.

Ramirez, 26, upped his log to 23-4-2 with 15 kayoes, and will stay in Japan for his future campaigns.

In the semi-final 10, aggressive Mitsuo Imazato, 117½, floored Zenichi Hasegawa, 118, with a solid left hook for the count in 2:05 of the seventh round. It was another mismatch Imazato, piloted by Fighting Harada, is now 13-6 with five kayoes. The loser is 9-8 with six knockouts.

Naojira Toda, 110¼, was held to a majority draw by Isao Kimura, 110, in a dull eight. Both were boys with losing records.

Katsuhiko Hasegawa, 119, stopped Nori Hasegawa, also 119, at 1:15 of the second round in a scheduled six.

Yoshio Kobayashi, 121½, halted Hideyuki Hidaka, 121¾, at 2:11 of the third canto in the scheduled four-round opener.

Yoichi Nago's King Promotions. TBS TV.

Attendance—1,400.

(11-22-82)

▲ TOKYO—Korakuen Hall—Once-beaten Takashi Sengoku, 128¾, looked sharp and clever in copping a unanimous nod over Joe Tatsuki, a shorter lefty at 128¾, 10. Scoring: referee Hiroyuki Tezaki, 99-95; judges Shoji Nakamori and Takeo Ugo, 100-95 and 100-97—all for Sengoku. Sengoku, a soft-punching rookie, prevented Tatsuki from scoring with his specialty, left hooks until the end. Sengoku, 20, is 9-1-1 with a kayo. Joe fell to 11-7 with 7 knockouts.

In a supporting 10, Kazuki Higa, 117½, attacked Kazumi Sato, also 117½, and halted him at 2:40 of the fourth round. Higa, an unbeaten ex-*Shinjin-o* winner, is 9-0 with five kayoes. But he must improve his speed and mobility. Sato dropped to 13-19-9 with four kayoes.

In the first of the triple tenner, bright lefty junior flyweight Kentoku Nakama, 109¾, again scored a quick kayo over Toshikazu Higa, 113¼, in 2:53 of the second round. Higa visited the canvas thrice due to Nakama's well-timed counterpunches.

Four-rounders: Lefty Racer Hashimoto, 116¼, stopped Yukinori Onishi, 119½, at 0:51 of the fourth and final round. Hiroshi Hori, 134¼, landed a left-right-left combination and scored a very quick kayo over Chuji Takahashi, 134, only 26 seconds into the first round. Eiji Nikuzaki, 145¼, finished Teruo Ogawa, 146¼, at 2:35 of the second round. Tomoyuki Oya, 128, exploded a fine one-two combo and demolished Ryuichi Karagane, a lefty at 128, 19 seconds into the fourth and final round in the opener.

Co-promoted by Kawakami and Misako Promotions. Fuji TV.

Attendance—1,300.

(11-25-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI

KOREA

▲ TAEGU—OPBF junior bantamweight champ Soon-Chun Kwon, the WBA's second ranked contender at 115¾, engaged in a non-title go with Filipino Flash Jagdon, 116¾, and scored a very quick kayo in 2:16 of the first round in a scheduled 10. Kwon connected with left and right hooks to the face, and followed up with a straight left to the chin. Jagdon collapsed in a corner and was counted out.

Kwon, who can move down to the 112-pound class, is willing to meet Argentine Santos Laciar in a bid for the WBA flyweight crown. The Korean is 17-2-1 with 10 kayoes.

Ki-Chang Kim, 110¼, lost a decision to Myung-Woo Yuh, also 110¼, eight.

Sang-Woo Choi, 137¼, stopped Dong-Oun Shin 137¼, in 1:03 of the sixth round in an eight.

Four-rounders: Yong-Woo Kim, 116½, finished Sun-Myung Jung, also 116½, at 2:12 of the third round. Jae-Yung Lee, 108½, outscored Kyung-Jo Choi, 110¼. Yong-Jung Ji, 114¾, halted Joo-Won Bae, 113½, in 2:22 of the second round in the opener.

Leehun Promotions

(10-30-82)

▲ MASAN—Masan Gymnasium—Unbeaten OPBF welterweight champion Jun-Sok Hwang, the WBA's third ranked contender at 146¾, defended his crown for the fourth time as he impressively sank Thai challenger Satanfa S. Pratip, 147, for the count in 1:40 of the fifth round of a scheduled twelve frame.

Hwang was stalking the Thai footworker, and caught him with a volley of punches to the face. Then, it was all over. Hwang is now 20-0 with 12 knockouts.

Chang-Yung Park, 118, outpointed Thai Suvan Silpaya, 116½, in a supporting 10. Park, who dropped a close decision to Shoji Oguma months ago, is now 11-2-2 with two kayoes.

Sung-In Suh, 125¾, the hard-hitting ex-Korean junior feather champ, knocked out Byung-Kuk Oh, also 125¾, in 1:49 of the seventh round in their 10. Suh is 18-2 with seven kayoes.

In-Kun Hwang, 112, outpointed Sun-Il Lee, 113½, eight. Yong-Che Kim, 110¼, decisioned Sung-Hun Song, 110¼, six.

Four-rounders: Jong-Soo Suh, 120¼, won from Jang-Hwan Han, 118¾. Bu-Kyung Yuh, 122¾, stopped Ji-Moon Chung, 123½, at 1:25 of the first round in the opener.

Hanjin Promotions.

(10-31-82)

▲ SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Mexican German Torres, the WBC's second ranked junior flyweight contender at 110¼, went to Korea and stopped Chong-Kwan Chung, 109¼, at 0:49 of the ninth round in scheduled 10.

Torres had a tough time against the durable and scrappy Chung, but he caught up with him and dropped him twice with combinations. Torres, 27, upped his log to 37-5-1 with 31 kayoes. Chung fell to 5-7-1.

Yoo-Uk Joo, 116, lost a decision to Joo-Do Chun, 116, eight.

Jung-Yol Moon, 136½, stopped Chong-Uup Kim, 136¼, at 1:34 of the second round in an eight.

Jae-Moon Yuh, 124¼, outscored Sa-Myung Kim, also 124¼, six.

Four-rounders: Myo-Rae Chung, 120, stopped Yoo-Sung Jung, 119, at 1:03 of the first round. Joung-Rae Lee, 116¼, halted Kyung-Yong Na, 116½, at 2:54 of the second round in the opener.

Kudkong Promotions.

(10-31-82)

▲ SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Unbeaten Ik-Ro Ahn, 114, pounded out a unanimous decision over Filipino Rocky Pineda, 113, 10. Ahn, the Korean Commission's number three 115-pounder, is 10-0 (seven kayoes).

The semi-final saw an eliminator to decide the new Korean bantamweight champion. Chong-Chul Park, 117¾, outscored Jung-Woo Chun, 118, to win the vacant title, 10. Park is now 13-3-3 with two kayoes. Chun fell to 6-4-1 with three knockouts.

Jae-Hyung Yuh, 151¾, outscored Chil-Do Bae, 150½, eight. Sung-Oh Hwang and Chong-Hak Lee, both at 136½, drew, eight.

Four-rounders: Hyun-Soo Kim, 114, was decisioned by Nam-Ki Kim, 113. Il-Jung Chun, 116¾, outpointed Yung-Ho Kim, 118. Chang-Soo Kim, 111¼, won from Hi-Sang Park, 112, in the opener.

Saeki Promotions.

(11-07-82)

▲ MASAN—Masan Indoor Gymnasium—Former WBA junior flyweight champ Hwan-Jin Kim, 111¼, entered a tune-up go for his scheduled rematch with current titlist Katsuo Tokashiki (in Japan on January 9), and scored a unanimous decision over Filipino Fred Guanzon, also 111¼, 10. The short and energetic Kim attempted to get inside of Fred all the way, and dropped him with a roundhouse right in the closing seconds of the sixth round. However, Kim seemed to lack his previous sharpness. The ex-champ upped his log to 22-1-2 with eight knockouts.

Kuk-Kap Kim, 127½, decisioned Jung-Ki Yuh, 127, eight.

Four-rounders: Yong Wong Han, 135, wn from Jin-Ho Kim, 135¼. Chong-Jung-Dae Lee, 113½, outscored Jae-Chul Han, 113, in the opener.

(11-07-82)

▲ SEOUL—Changchung Gymnasium—Seung-Hoon Lee dropped Lupe Pintor with a good one-two combo, only to be stopped in his tracks at the WBC bantamweight crown in Los Angeles on June 3.

Lee, 120¾, was recently discharged from military service and engaged in his first showing since his loss to Pintor. He battered Filipino Poker Peligrino, 121, so effectively as to halt him at 2:01 of the ninth round in a scheduled 10. Lee, the WBC's fifth ranked bantie, bled from a cut suffered in round three, but scored well with sharp straight blows. The loser's cornerman tossed in the towel to save his boy from further punishment.

Lee, a 5' 8" speedster, is now 22-4 with eight kayoes. Peligrino reportedly fell to 22-5-1 with five knockouts.

Suk-Kyu Park, 137, finished Seung-Ho Kim, 137½, at 1:42 in the eighth and final round.

Yong-Man Park, 148¼, disposed of Sang-Do chung, 149¾, at 1:35 of the fourth round in a six.

Kap-Sup Song, 116¼, outpointed Kung-Ilyun Ha, also 116¼, six.

Four-rounders: Tae-Hyun Cho, 114¼, stopped Man-Shik Jin, 114½, at 0:41 in round three. Seung-Hwan Yun, 134¾, won from Sae-Won Kang, 135. Jung-Hyun Kim, 110, decisioned Jong-Mo Yang, 110¼, in the opener.

(11-13-82)

▲ DAEJON—Chungmu Gymnasium—Fast rising Yang Il, the KBC's top junior lightweight contender at 132¼, polished off Filipino Carlos Parcia, 131½, in 106 seconds of the first round in a scheduled 10. Having onesidedly beaten ex-WBC champ Rigoberto Riasco last year, Yang boosted his record to 17-2-3 with seven kayoes, Parcia is 18-3-1 with 15 knockouts.

Chong-Kwon Ahn, 132, stopped Moon-Shik Kim 131½, at 2:17 of the fourth round in an eight.

Hun-Yung Park, 125½, lost to Tae-Yung Choi, 124½, six.

Four-rounders: Kum-Jung Yun, 110½, won from Dong-Chul Park, 111¼. Yuk-Dong Ahn, 110, decisioned Yun-Soo Kim, 109½. Kwan-Chul Chang, 132½, was held to a draw by Jong-Yung Kwon, 134¼, in the opener.

Kudkong Promotions.

(11-14-82)

▲ SEOUL—Munhwa Gymnasium—Having been stopped by Gustavo Ballas in the eliminator to decide the first WBA junior bantamweight champ in Buenos Aires, Sok-Chul Bae has seemingly regained his usual zip and power. He had defeated ex-WBC junior flyweight boss Sung-Jun Kim in their sensational encounter months ago. Now, Bae, 119¼, landed a wicked left hook to the button of Filipino Fel Aporto, his country's top contender at 118, embalming him 33 seconds into the second round of a 10. It was a very clean knockout, and your reporter (who visited Korea to see the next day's WBC super flyweight title bout between Orono and Kim) appreciated Bae's progress. Bae is 17-2-1 with nine kayoes. But his manager, Wa-Ryong Yuh, said Bae would move up to the bantamweight class because of his difficulty in making the 115-pound limit. He may be a dangerous opposition for OPBF bantam kingpin Eijiro Murata of Japan.

The semi-final saw Hyung-Kil Chun, 133½, appearing for the first time since his discharge from national military sevice, bang Japanese Toshiaki Nakamoto, also 133½, to win a lopsided decision, 10. Chun downed Nakamoto to the ropes twice—in rounds five and 10. The gory Japanese weathered the storm, but lost almost every round. Chun was once rated by the WBC thanks to his upset kayo of Filipino lightie Celso Esmero, but dropped out due to his loss to Andy Ganigan in Hawaii.

Duk-Hwan Bae, 123¾, disposed of Chan-Kyun Kim, 123½, 34 seconds into the fifth round of an eight.

Kyu-Chan Cho, 116½, decisioned Hyung-Shik Lim, 116¾, eight.

Six-rounders: Soo-Kon Chang, 114½, won from Keun-Shik Yuh, 114¼. Rae-Ki Ahn, 110½, outscored Ik-Won Kim, 111, in the opener.

There were no four-rounders.

Waryong Promotions.

(11-27-82)

JOE Y. KOIZUMI & YOO-CHANG KIH

PHILIPPINES

▲ DAVAO CITY—CYO Gym—Little Bangoyan, 118½, chalked up a third round TKO win over Efren Guinieta, 120½, to win the Filipino junior feather weight title in a scheduled 12-round bout. This victory saw Bangoyan named "Boxer of the Month" by the GAB (Games and Amusement Board).

The semi-final saw Boy Morales, the GAB's number six featherweight at 126, win a unanimous nod over Tony Cinco, 125, 10.

Ed Norcos, 116, suffered sixth-round TKO by Lito Estimada, also 116, in the first 10.

Antonio Dacer, promoter.

(10-25-82)

▲ TAYUMAN, MANILA—Eddie Cejas, 135½, eked out a split decision over Lorenzo Nabuab, also 135½, 10. J. Lansang, refereee.

Yuri Santos, 115, unanimously decisioned Jun Santiago, also 115, in the semi-final 10.

Rudy Grande, 118½, was awarded a split duke over Teofilo Gonzales, 120, eight.

Domy Circulado, 125, decisively beat Pol Cananga, 126, six.

Nilo Hernandez, 118½, TKO'd Alex Sy, 117, in the fourth of a six.

Four-rounders: Flash Grande, 111½, scored a TKO over Capino Jr. 111½, in the second round. Angelo Escober, 111½, halted Gadil Fabellore, 111, in round two of the opener.

Paciencia Hitosis, promoter.

Voltaire Reverente and Romulo S. Santiago, GAB witnesses.

(10-01-82)

▲ CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY—Jongjong Pacquing, the GAB's third ranked junior lightie at 130, impressively halted ex-champ Nene Jun, also 130, in the seventh round of a 10.

Leo Khaki, 122, won a unanimous nod over Pepe Olano, also 122, 10.

(10-02-82)

▲ GENERAL SANTOS CITY—Jun Esclaera, 130, tabbed a seventh round TKO over Roy Arcillas, also 130, in a scheduled 10.

Carlos Parcia, 132, caught Fiston Coronado, 135, and stopped him in the tenth and final session.

Maximo Cabreros, promoter.

(10-02-82)

▲ CEBU CITY—Having scored an upset win in their pre-

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2. Dony Soriano (Angels City)
3. Mar Simbajon (Makati)
4. Young de la Cruz (Angels City)
5. Fred Pastor (Angels City)
6. Romy Angeles (Manila)

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
Champion
Ruben Rabago (Cebu)
1. Fernando Gloria (Davao)
2. Gar Atayde (Davao)
3. Danilo Limpahan (Manila)
4. Cisco Ferrer (Manila)
5. William Mardizon (Cebu)
6. Joe Lim (Manila)
7. Willie Makitoki (Manila)
8. Young Fely (Zamboanga)
9. Ric Dolotallas (Davao)
10. Flash Romeo (Baguio)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Rolando Aldemir (Davao)
1. Romy Cunanan (Angeles City)
2. Flash Villamer (Cebu)
3. Jongjong Pacquing (Davao)
4. Jun Escalera (Davao)
5. Lito Pena (Manila)
6. Amy Pacana (Manila)
7. Geron Porras (Manila)
8. Lorenzo Nabuab (Manila)
9. Deo Rabago (Cebu)
10. Eddie Cejas (Manila)

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
Champion
Albert Duldulao (Cab.)
1. Rod Sequenan (Manila)
2. Sonny Carupo (Butuan)
3. Nick Caputol (Davao)
4. Joel Insular (Gen. Santos)
5. Del Contado (Cebu)
6. Nacias Francisco (Cagayan)
7. Francis Camatagan (Baguio)
8. Carlos Parcia (Davao)
9. Melching Maquilan (Cebu)
10. Bert Lozano (Manila)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Ronald Sumalis (Davao)
1. Divino Inocian (Cagayan)
2. Mario Odias (Davao)
3. Erning Queroben (Davao)
4. Sul Inting (Davao)
5. Lulu Villaverde (Manila)
6. Ador Seguin (Manila)
7. Eddie Camero (Manila)
8. Rudy Patalinghug (Ormoc)
9. Jun Belimac (Davao)
10. Wenie Ampong (Davao)

JUNIOR FEATHERWEIGHTS
Champion
Little Bangoyan (Davao)
1. Renato Paulino (Cot.)
2. Poker Peregrino (Cebu)
3. Sandy Noora (Manila)
4. Rene Sedayon (Manila)
5. Rene Aroy (Davao)
6. Mac Espanola (Davao)
7. Tito Vilmar (Angels City)
8. Morris Pastor (Davao)
9. Cris Maratas (Davao)
10. Efren Guinieta (Davao)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
Championship
Bobby Berna (Manila)
1. Pablo Pepito (Manila)
2. Jun Simbajon (Cebu)
3. William Develos (Paranaque)
4. Leo Khaki (Cagayan)
5. Jun Resma (Davao)
6. Boy Chua (Paranaque)
7. Ali Granada (Davao)
8. Young Depio (Davao)
9. Ernie Mata (Makati)
10. Rico Liquin (Cebu)

JUNIOR BANTAMWEIGHTS
Champion
Diego de Villa (Davao)
1. Lito Estimada (Davao)
2. Sergio Fernando (Manila)
3. Antonio Pacupia (Davao)
4. Siony Carupo (Davao)
5. Ric Tanza (Davao)
6. Fel Aporto (Manila)
7. Pat Bracero (Davao)
8. Gil Ragas (Davao)
9. Julius Gonzaga (Davao)
10. Rito Donayre (Manila)

FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Frank Cedeno (Cebu)
1. Wick Tengam (Gen. Santos)
2. Allan Makitoki (Manila)
3. Edward Bucton (Manila)
4. Rocky Pineda (Manila)
5. Tito Abella (Cavite)
6. Yuri Santos (Manila)
7. Oscar Gonzales (Manila)
8. Rodrigo Saonoy (Manila)
9. Ramon Chan (Baguio)
10. Rocky Arsenio (Baguio)

JUNIOR FLYWEIGHTS
Champion
Dodie (Boy) Penalosa (Cebu)
1. Fred Guanzon (Davao)
2. Fernando Carupo (Davao)
3. Romy Austria (Angels City)
4. Elmer Magallano (Davao)
5. Roger Castillo (Davao)
6. Little Baguio (Davao)
7. Jemuel Maguinsay (Davao)
8. Flash Rockman (Gen. Santos)
9. Jun Paciones (Davao)
10. Eddie Kaki (Davao)

Boxer of the Month: Rolando Aldemir. Honorable Mention: Jun Belimac, Lulu Villaverde.

Filipino boxers rated by world boxing organizations: Rolando Navarrete(#5 WBC super featherweight), Bobby Berna (#4 WBC super bantamweight), Neptali Alamag (#4 WBA bantamweight), Frank Cedeno (#9 WBC flyweight).

vious encounter on August 21, Poker Peligrino, 119, repeated his victory over hard hitting but wild Jun Simbajon, 117½, 10.

Victoriano Pasana, promoter.

(10-02-82)

▲ **SURALLAH, NORTH COTOBATO**—The GAB's top lightweight contender, Rolando Aldemir, 138, was held to a draw by unheralded Roland Dante, also 138.

Rene Lozada, promoter.

(10-03-82)

▲ **CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY**—Rudy Patlinhug, the GAB;s third ranked featherweight at 120, shed some pounds, faced Mario Odias, also 120, but lost a split decision, 10. Odias was ranked second in the next GAB ratings.

Ben Ayudtud, 115, defeated Jun Garcia, also 115, by a unanimous decision, 10.

Nacias Francisco, 130, was a unanimous victor over Sonny Carupo, also 130, in the first 10.

Antonio Almirante, Jr., promoter.

(10-16-82)

▲ **DAVAO CITY—CYO Gym**—Filipino junior bantamweight champion Diego de Villa, 115, won a unanimous verdict over Fel Aporto, also 115, in the GAB's first mandatory defense, 12.

Ric Tanza, 116, drew with Gil Ragas, 115¼, in the semi-final 10.

Manuel Villan, promoter.

(10-16-82)

▲ **STA. RITA, BATANGAS**—Romeo Olivetti, 141, amazed the witnesses by scoring a quick TKO over Jun Gonzales, 140½, in the opening canto of a scheduled 10.

Berlin Olivetti, 118, won a unanimous nod over Avel Magracia, also 118, 10.

Salome Tolosa, BHO, promoter.

(10-23-82)

▲ **PARANAQUE—Elorde Sports Complex**—Former OPBF junior bantamweight champ William Develos, 117½, fought a close but good battle and earned a majority decision over Fel Jardenil, 119, 10. Larry Nadayag, refereee.

Mar Simbajon, 143½, technically kayoed Dony Soriano, 140½, in the first round of the semi-final 10.

Pablo Pepito, 120½, won a unanimous nod over Boy Chua, 120¾, 10.

Ernie Cataluna, 119, decisioned Larry Enriquez, 119, eight.

Rolando Angel, 124½, halted Kid Gamueda, 124, in the third round of a six.

Rocky Alapitan, 112, scored a majority decision over Goddie Alos, 106, six.

Al Tiempo, 107, stopped Tony Berdida, 108, in the fifth canto of a six.

Ruztum Aguilar, 112, chalked up a TKO over Robert Palacrit, 111, in the second stanza of a six.

Joel Advincula, 110½, decisioned Joseph Ladepi, 110½, in the four-round opener.

Laura S. Elorde (Flash Elorde's wife), promoter.

Carlos Dizon, GAB witness.

(10-15-82)

▲ **TALAVERA, NUEVA BOIJA**—Cesar Ligan, 131, fought to a split draw with Ador Seguin, also 131, 10. Joe Lansang, refereee.

Nick Caputol, 134½, eked out a split decision from Max (Boy) Toyogon, 135, 10.

Elmer Leonardo, 132, was given a majority nod over Leo Casino, also 132, 10.

Joe Gavicia, 113, and Rudy Garcia, Jr., 112½, fought to a unanimous draw, eight.

Telly Sauro, 117, unanimously beat Little Tonoco, 113½, eight.

Jun Manghas, 118, decisioned Bert Atty. Agustin C. Gacia, promoter.

Leonardo Trinidad and Virgilio S. delos Reyes, the GAB's witnesses.

(10-16-82)

▲ **BAGUIO CITY**—Francis Camatagan, 133¼, attacked Flash Jordan, 134½, and scored a TKO victory in the seventh round of a scheduled 10. Nestor Olivetti, referee.

Flash Romeo, 142¼, impressively knocked out Edito del Monte, 143, in the third round of their ten.

Ramon Chan, 112, unanimously decisioned Orlando Gutierrez, 134, 10.

Johnny Magostino, 131¼, outscored Fernando Nercua, 132, in the first 10.

Rey Tayaban, 135, stopped Ernie de Asis, 134½, in the seventh round of an eight.

Fabian Lisayen, 127¾, halted Boy Negro, 127¾, in the first round in the four-round opener.

Robinson Alatiw, promoter.

Emmanuel Flores and Voltaire Reverente, GAB witnesses.

(10-16-82)

▲ **MALOLOS, BULACAN**—Tito Gregorio, 110, fought to a majority draw with Henry Balina, 110, 10. Onofre Perez, referee.

Nick Mitra, 112, unanimously decisioned Jun Labrador, 112, eight.

Alejandro Tipon, 124, whipped Rey Gallana, 120½, six.

Four-rounders: Little Freddie, 123, TKO'd Joh Bisnar, 123, in the third round. Bennie Quilinguen, 127, stopped Cesar Mallari, 126, in the fourth and final round. Teddy Lagrama, 115, and Junior Payod, 115, fought to a majority draw in the opener.

Benjamin Vinluan, promoter.

Carlos Dizon and Carlos Roman, GAB witnesses.

(10-20-82)

▲ **BAMBANG, NUEVA VIZCAYA**—Rene Sedayon, 125, eked out a majority decision over veteran Sandy Noora, 125, 10. Danny Rodenas, refereee.

Edward Bucton, 115½, unanimously beat Rolando Navarro, 115, 10.

Hilbert Aragon, 126, outscored Teofilo Gonzales, 126, eight.

Rocky Romy, 140, barely took a split duke from Lito Vasquez, 140½, six.

Four rounders: Juanito Favila, 114, won from Joen Sibulan, 114. Leopoldo (Bata) DeLeon, 124, unanimously decisioned Mel Davincula 125. Romeo Bugamat, 128, socred a majority decision over Moises Gonzales, 127, in the opener.

Felimon Vasquez, promoter.

Voltair Reverente and Carlos Dizon, the GAB witnesses.

(10-23-82)

▲ **GENERAL SANTOS CITY**—Flash Rockman, 113, pounded out a unanimous duke from Deo Mindoro, 118, 10.

Joel Insular, the GAB's fifth ranked junior lightie at 131, decisively beat Ben Sarte, also 131, 10.

Ricardo Mendez, promoter.

(10-24-82)

▲ **MAMABAJAO, CAMIGUIN**—Pepe Olano, the GAB's fifth ranked bantie at 122, earned a majority nod over Wennie Ampong, also 122, 10.

Florentino Uba, promoter.

(10-24-82)

▲ **SAN PABLO CITY**—Sandy Noora is quite a busy campaigner. Noora, 126, appeared a week after his loss to Rehe Sedayan, and won a split decision over Amado Castro, 125½, 10.

Grego Garcia, promoter.

Leonardo Trinidad and Carlos Dizon, GAB witnesses.

(10-30-82)

▲ **CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY**—Ex-national bantamweight champ Ronaldo Sumalis, 124¾, won the Filipino featherweight title, as he pounded out a unanimous decision over Divino Inocian, 126, 12 . Sumalis, once called "glass jaw," recently regained his previous aggressiveness and acquired his second national crown.

Siony Carupo, 124¾, took a unanimous nod from Cesar Ligan, 130, in the semi-final 10.

Atty. Agustin Garcia, promoter.

(10-30-82)

▲ **MARBEL, SOUTH COTOBATO**—Wick Tengam, 115, won a unanimous decision over Ric Tanza, 116, 10.

Carmelino Buenaflor, promoter.

(10-30-82)

▲ **DAVAO CITY—Cuison Hotel**—Jun Resma forfeited his Filipino junior flyweight title because he was unable to make the 108-pound limit any longer.

Having been stopped by Korean Hi-Sop Shin in the semi-final of Hilario Zapata vs. Jung-Koo Chang in Korea on Sept. 18, Resma, 112, fought rising prospect Jemuel Maguinsay, 108, and won a unanimous decision, 12. Resma's ring experience gave a lesson to the rookie.

The semi-windup saw ex-champ Nilo Acido, 140, take a unanimous verdict from Dario Melida, 141, 10.

Gar Atayde, 138, chalked up a fifth round TKO over Roland Dante, 140, in their scheduled 10.

Rolando Aldemior, the GAB's top junior welterweight contender at 139, scored a technical knockout over Hermie Villanueva, 136, in the seventh round of their 10.

Erning Queroben, 127, was awarded a majority duke over Sul Inting Jr., 125, 10.

Rene Anasco, 122, dropped a majority nod to Cris Maratas, 121, 10.

Fernando Carupo, 112, tabbed a TKO over Baby Morata, 110, in the seventh canto of a scheduled 10.

The seven 10-rounders made up the entire delux card.

Julian Tan, Jr., promoter.

(10-31-82)

NOTE—The Games and Amusements Board of the Philippines passed its second month since it took over as the OPBF (Oriental and Pacific Boxing Federation) headquarters. The GAB has issued beautifully printed OPBF ratings as regularly as Orient boxing people have wished. Considering the importance of the OPBF ratings, we must applaud the great efforts of GAB chairman Luis A. Tabuena, boxing division chairman Atty. Eduard C. Velasco, "active" Voltaire Revarante, and the rest of the GAB staff. Keep punching!

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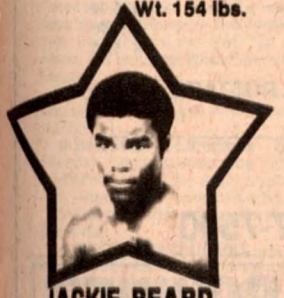

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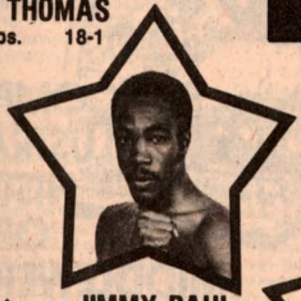

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THAILAND

▲ **SAKON NAKHON PROVINCE**—Former WBC light flyweight champion Netrnoi Sor Vorasingh was killed in a motorcycle accident.

Netrnoi, called "Shorty," was only about five feet tall, but was a game, tough and hard-hitting 108-pounder.

Vorasingh lost control and had his motorcycle collide with an electricity pole. Rushed to the hospital, the Thai pugilistic hero, only 25, died of head injuries about 8 p.m. On August 12 last, the then current WBC featherweight champion Salvador Sanchez died in a similar auto accident. Netrnoi's death gave Thai fight fans as big a sorrow as that of Sanchez gave Mexico. Netrnoi was a very popular pugilistic hero in this country.

His real name was Nert Landnok, and he was born in Sakon Nakhon Province in 1957. Selling ice cream for living (*a la* Lupe Pintor), Netrnoi became interested in the sta e3and-fight game. The Thai made his pro debut in Sakon Nakhon Province at age of sixteen in 1973. Netrnoi went up to the capital, Bangkok, to be under the wings of Thamanoon Vorasingh. On May 6, 1978, Netrnoi outscored Mexican lefty Freddie Castillo to win the WBC light flyweight throne in Bangkok. He defended it once, in Caracas, Venezuela, where he demolished Luis (Lumumba) Estaba, former champ, in five lodsided rounds. The Thai southpaw, however, lost the WBC title to unheralded Sung-Jun Kim, Korea, via an upset third-round knockout on September 30 of that year.

We Orient fight people, whole-heartedly mourn the sad passing of the still young ex-champ, Netrnoi Vorasingh.

(12-02-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Very hard-hitting Pongpan Sawphayathai, the WBC's eighth ranked junior featherweight at 124, easily disposed of Prajan Sithsapaporn, 126, in the second round of a scheduled 10.

Somphop Srisomvong, promoter.

(10-30-82)

▲ **NAKORNRAJASEEMA—Nakornrajaseema Stadium**—Thai junior bantamweight sensation Kaosai Galaxy, 116, collected another victim by stopping former Korean champ Mun-Kyun Joo, 115½, in the fourth round of a scheduled 10. Having demolished U.S. veteran Willie Jensen in two furious rounds on October 13, Kaosai was rated third by the WBC. His stoppage of Joo boosted his brilliant log to 15-1 with 14 knockouts. Kaosai, 23, is a short but sturdy southpaw who hopes to get a shot at Rafael Orono's WBC super flyweight crown.

Kleaw Thanikul, promoter.

(11-27-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—A triple tenner made up this delux card.

Phayow Phoontharat, the Thai Gold Medalist in the Olympic Games, bounced back from a surprising visit to the canvas in the first round, and fought back to finish Korean Kwon-Sok Lee, 117, in the fifth. Phayow, 116, is currently rated top in the TBC's junior bantamweight class.

Thai junior bantam boss Prabthorani Luklampakchee, 116, earned a unanimous decision over Korean Do-Joo Shin, 115, in the second ten.

Hard-punching Phadedsuk Pisanurachun, the junior lightweight champ of Thailand at 133, made very short work of Filipino Eddie Ballan, 132½, polishing him off in the first round.

Somphop Srisomvong, promoter.

(11-28-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Gun Keowprasert, the TBC's number five bantie at 118, eked out a split nod over Kiatyos Muangsurin, also 118, in six.

(10-15-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Daungprasert Sorsomboon, 126, proved he has a good left hook, as he stopped ex-Thai featherweight champ Kolnyuth Pornpanthumnu, also 126, in the third canto of a scheduled six. It was a real upset, Daungprasert is now 5-0 with four kayoes. (10-16-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Thongberm Lukmaturee, the TBC's third ranked flyweight at 116, needed less than two rounds to dispose of Phonumngern Sithseemok, 117, in a scheduled six. Time was 2:47 of the second round.

(10-19-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Downthong Chuvatana, Thai lightweight champ at 136, fought a non-title bout and easily halted Pornpises Sithsaneh, an unknown rookie at 137, in the second round of a scheduled six.

(10-20-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Fast rising Petchgnam Chuvatana, the TBC's top flyweight contender at 114, extended his unblemished record to 10-0 (with seven kayoes) by stopping veteran Morakot (Lookeyeyara) Siththankgky, 112, in the second round of a six.

(10-22-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—The TBC's number four flyweight, Downroj Rojanaseree, 122, wasn't in good shape and lost an upset decision to Sansakdi Osodsapha, 122, six.

(10-23-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—The TBC's top junior flyweight contender Samar Sakadam, 110, visited the canvas twice and was knocked out by Chalow Muangsurin, the second ranked flyweight also at 110, in the fifth round of a schedule six. This was another upset.

(10-25-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—After a three-year lay-off, Seeson Muangsurin, 112, returned to ring warfare and impressively stopped Kaewthip Sisthsaneh, also 122, in the second round of a six.

(10-20-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Fistically speaking, Thailand is a country of upset bouts isn't it? Veerachai Wongprasert, Thai number eight flyweight at 112, dropped an upset decision to Daonoi Sithsaneh, 115, six. Despite the 10-1 odds against Daonoi (who hadn't fought for a year), he displayed solid right shots to win via decision.

(10-27-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Saitrang Tianhiran, 112, lost an unexpected decision to simon pure Thanong Pornthavee, 115, six. It was Thanong's pro debut. His impressive victory carried him to the tenth spot in the TBC's domestic ratings in the junior bantamweight division.

(10-28-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Sankumpang Bunthavee, 112, demolished Phol Sithjula, also 112, in the first round of a six.

(10-29-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Unbeaten puncher Daungprasert Sorsomboon, ran his log to 6-0 with five kayoes with a first round kayo over Prasong Sithkempetch, 124, in a scheduled six.

(11-06-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Dropping his older rival in the fourth round, Thongberm Lukmaturee, 117, eked out a split decision over Chandang Singhchaowang, also 117, six. An exciting fight.

(11-12-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Thai junior featherweight champ Dejvarin Hollywood, 126, met Thaveekoon Chorsuenanan, the number three contender, also 126, in a grudge fight. Dejvarin exploded a beautiful right cross and sent him into dreamland in the first round. His crown was not at stake.

(11-15-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Rajadamnern Stadium**—Indonesian flyweight champ Munadi, the OPBF's fourth ranked contender at 113, was nothing but a fragile target for Petchgnam Chuvatana, the TBC's top flyweight at 113. Petchgnam landed a wicked right to the face of Munadi, and knocked him out in the third round.

(11-17-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—Sakdisamai Chorsirirat, Thai bantamweight boss at 120, squared off against veteran lefty Monsayarm H. Mahachai, also 120, stopping the latter in the third round of a scheduled six. Mahachai had once come to Japan to fight Yoko Gushiken in a bid for the WBA junior flyweight crown, but suffered a fourth round kayo on October 9, 1977. However, Monsayarm is now not rated even by the TBC to be only a stepping stone for 'em.

(11-19-82)

▲ **BANGKOK—Lumpinee Stadium**—The TBC's sixth ranked flyweight, Sankumpang Bunthavee, 113, proved too ringwise and strong for Yodpichit Singhsurachai, Thai Navy champ at 113, winning a unanimous decision, six.

(11-20-82)

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▲ **BELMONT—Sixteen-Foot Sailing Club**—Former amateur champion Phil McElwaine, 171½, won the vacant NSW State light heavy title with a solid points win over Garry Hubble, 175, 10. McElwaine is still unbeaten.

Ducky Dennis, 110¼, and Richard Windell, 113, had their scheduled eight-rounder declared "no contest" in the third.

Mark Maverick, 173, won on a foul in the fourth and final round of his bout with Trevor Singleton, 171.

Chris Threlfo, 133¼, outpointed Brad Frederics, 140, three.

(11-16-82)

▲ **KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club**—Tommy Woods, 139, halted Disco George, 140, in round three of a scheduled eight. The bout was stopped due to a cut near George's eye. Disco was ahead on points, but the referee said the injury was due to a punch.

Shaun Gray, 156, outscored Steve Wonder, 162, five.

Alan Horumia, 150, and Sean Branko, 154, drew, four.

Teo Cupa, 139, knocked out John Groves, 142, in the first round of their scheduled four.

(11-16-82)

▲ **MT. PRITCHARD—Community Club**—Australian flyweight champion Wayne Mulholland, 119¾, outscored Bobby Williams, 112¼, in a good 10-rounder. Bobby made the champ work hard.

Roy Hughes, 130¾, outpointed Dean Thomas, 136½, six.

Dennis Talbot, 129, outscored Roger Henry, 135, six.

Adam Gray, 152, stopped Les Luxford, 140¾, in round three of a scheduled four.

Steve King, 144¼, and Glenn Hillier, 140¼, drew, four.

(11-17-82)

▲ **GREENFELL—Bowling Club**—Alan Clarke, 148¾, halted Steve King, 142¾, in the first round of a scheduled eight. A cut eye forced the stoppage.

Jay Crowe, 125¾, outpointed Glenn Hillier, 136¾, six.

Lindsay Good, 164¼, halted Kingston Marta, 156½, in round three of a scheduled four.

Foxy Louis, 142¼, stopped Len Lynch, 140, on a cut eye in the third round of their scheduled four.

Kim Smith, 131¾, outscored Marco Presutti, 135½, three.

(11-20-82)

▲ **KINGSFORD—South Sydney Junior Leagues Club**—Sparrow Freeman, 126, outpointed Frank Miller, 122, eight. An entertaining contest.

Andy Roberts, 136, outscored Muhammad Ali Ben, 139, six.

Arty Kaplan, 158, and Alan Horumia, 150, drew, four.

Teo Cupa, 138, stopped Brad Fredrics, 142, in the second round of a scheduled four.

(11-23-82)

▲ **GOSFORD—Central Coast Leagues Club**—NSW State junior welter champion Peter Batty, 142¼, outscored Kevin Hogan, 144½, in a first class non-title 10-round contest.

Punch Pevy, 142¼, and Nick Conditis, 140, drew, six.

Barry Matta, 144½, stopped Mark McElligott, 146¾, in the first round of a scheduled five.

Shaun Gray, 157¾, halted Alex Duff, also 157¾, in round three of their scheduled four.

(11-24-82)

▲ **YOUNG—Services & Citizens Club**—Con O'Connor, 155½, retained his NSW State middleweight title with a split decision over Billy Smith, 156½, in a hard fought 12.

Phil McElwaine, 168, outpointed Peter Hewitt, 179½, Victoria, eight.

Punch Pevy, 144½, outscored Alan Clarke, 147¾. six.

Reno Zurik, 197¼, outpointed Graham Bray, 182, six.

Robert Hall, 175¼, stopped Trevor Singleton, also 175¼, in the second round of a scheduled four.

Kim Smith, 132, won a technical decision over John Marshall, 137½, at the end of two rounds in a scheduled three.

(11-28-82)

▲ **BELMONT—Sixteen-Foot Sailing Club**—Former Australian heavyweight champion Maile Haumona, 222¾, became the first Oriental & Pacific Boxing Federation heavyweight champion by knocking out Prince Larry Tatoo, 220½, Samoa, in the third round of a scheduled 15. Haumona, a Tongan, has been living in Australia for several years.

Willie White, 113½, outpointed Ducky Dennis, 110¼, six.

Al Hallett, 153¼, outscored Tony Tavua, 188½, four.

(11-30-82)

▲ **DAPTO—Leagues Club**—Pat Leglise, 140, easily outpointed Rex Cannon, 137½, by 99-92. Leglise, one of Australia's finest prospects, is a cool and sometimes brilliant boxer. But can he take a punch? That's not known at this time.

Jimmy Greco, 157½, halted Tony Campbell, 154½, in the fifth round of a scheduled eight.

Armstrong Waremaki, 126, outpointed Brad O'Toole, 128, six.

Lex Luxford, 140, outscored Peter Mills, 146, four.

(12-02-82)

▲ **SYDNEY—Hordern Pavilion**—Australian junior middleweight king Ken Salisbury, 151¾, retained his title with a unanimous decision over Queensland State champ Billy Johnstone, 151, in a rugged 12-rounder. Judges Ray Mitchell, Alf Weymark, and Ken Anderson came up with identical scores of 119-111. The margin was very clear, but Johnstone made Salisbury earn every point, and referee Mick Dunningham never worked so hard.

At times, Dunningham, had to exert his full strength to separate the fighters. Not that the clinches were lazy havens; they were muscular exertions.

Salisbury was in better shape, and was the superior boxer. He's now undefeated in 24 contests, and is hoping for a title shot at Commonwealth champion Herol Graham.

Australian junior featherweight champion Jim Bowen, 127¼, and Sparrow Freeman, 127, drew, eight. Bowen looked the winner. Mick Dunningham was referee and sole judge in the prelims.

Shaun Grah, 153, and Brett Beakin, 155½, drew, six.

Ted Hopkins, 147¾, and Tommy Woods, 139¼, drew, six.

Andy Roberts, 138½, outscored Muhammad Ali, 138¼, six.

(12-05-82)

▲ **WAGGA WAGGA—Leagues Club**—Chris (Rocky) Ward, 153, outscored Lindsay Good, 156½, over 10 solid rounds.

Reno Zurik, 203, outpointed Danny Carey, 215½, six.

Ross Colosimo, 154¼, stopped Dale Beer, 144½, in the second round of a scheduled three. Colosimo, who also served as a judge for the main event (!) began his career as a boxer in 1958. He fought some main events, retried in 1963, made a comeback in 1965, retired again in 1967, came back in 1969, retired for a third time in 1970, and spent the next 11 years training boxers. He had one fight in 1981, winning a six-rounder via points. This stoppage of Beer was his 35th career win against 21 losses and one draw.

Brian Nolan, 158¾, outscored Brian Lynch, 147, three.

Chris Prigg, 176½, outpointed Brendan Brooks, 158¾, three.

(12-05-82)

▲ **AUBURN—R.S.L. Club**—Rocky Warren, 126, won the NSW State featherweight crown by stopping defending champion Red King, also 126, via a cut eye in the fourth round of a scheduled 10.

Manuel Trikilis, 150, outpointed Roy Alexander, 158¾, six.

Brad O'Toole, 126¾, stopped Armstrong Waremaki, 123½, in the second round of their scheduled six.

Thomas Fuller, 156½, otuscored Tim Tarne, 164¼, three.

Peter Kaiser, 165½, and Arthur Calvert, 156¾, drew, three.

(12-10-82)

▲ **GWYNNEVILLE—Beaton Park Stadium**—Phil (Spider) Davies, 165½, scored an easy points win over former Australian junior middleweight champion Alex Temelkov, 163¼, 10. Paul Moore, referee. Temelkov took a count early and found Davies far too elusive.

Young Haumona, 209½, and Young Stone, 176½, had their scheduled eight-round bout declared "no contest" in three.

Roger Henry, 136¾, outscored Edin Tugrul, 134½, eight.

Dom Vacquera, 156½, stopped Jake Williams, 154½, in the fourth and final session. (12-10-82)

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▲ **MTK. PRITCHARD—Community Club**—Pat Leglise, 139½, dropped Luke Saugaga, 140, Fiji, twice and stopped him in the fourth round of a scheduled 10. Pat took Saugaga's South Seas junior welter title in the process.

Brett Young, 129, outscored Roy Hughes, 131¼, eight.

Disco George, 135½, outpointed Dean Thomas, 134½, eight.

Four-rounders: Dave Duke, 146½, outscored Brad Fredrics, 149½. Billy Lyons, 172¾, stopped Mick Graovac, 170¼, in round three. Barry Mack, 185¾, halted Monte George, 174¼, in the first.
(12-15-82)

▲ **GOSFORD—Central Coast Leagues Club**—Nick Conditis, 139, outpointed Punch Pevy, 143¼, in the headline eight. Mick Dunningham, referee.

Joey Collins, 154½, and Neil Naybury, 147¾, drew, five.

Four-rounders: Artie Kaplan, 158¾, outscored Alex Duff, 161. Steve Cox, 140, outpointed Muhammed Ali, 135½. Dave Duke, 144½, won on a foul over Bernie Johnson, 136¾, in the fourth and final round.
(12-22-82)

NORTHERN TERRITORY

▲ **DARWIN**—Ricky Patterson, 160, knocked out Gerard (Gonzo) Hooper, also 160, Queensland, in the first round of a scheduled eight.

Skeeter Hooper, 144, stopped Andy Roberts, 142, in the second round of a scheduled six.

Alan Arabena, 168, outpointed Paul Nuku, also 168, six.

Tim Gibuma, 160, halted Bobby Coles, 161, in round three of a scheduled four.

Laurie Raymond, 145, and Jimmy Beck, 142, drew, four.

Troy Hunter, 182, outpointed Derek Parnell, 190, three.

Chris Cashman, 140, and Robbie McCubbin, also 140, drew, three.
(11-11-82)

▲ **DARWIN**—Ricky Patterson, 160, knocked out Steve Wonder, also 160, New South Wales, in the first round of a scheduled eight.

Alan Arabena, 168, stopped George Silliano, 166, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Laurie Raymond, 147, outscored Mo Motlop, also 147, four.

Three-rounders: Gordon Saunders, 120, halted Audie Tyler, also 120, in the first round. Robbie McCubbin, 140, outpointed Chris Cashman, also 140. Anthony Ah Kit, 186, kayoed Troy Hunter, also 186, in the second.
(12-02-82)

QUEENSLAND

▲ **BOONDALL—Homestead Hotel**—Kevin Wagstaff, 177, stopped Abe Johnson, 170, in the eighth round of a scheduled 10. Referee Denzil Creed stopped the brawl with Johnson helpless.

Graham Looker, 146, stopped Ian Cotterill, 154, in the fourth round of a scheduled six.

Keith Arnold, 124, outscored David Desartge, 122, six.

Moa Sam, 195, stopped John Bailey, 185, in the first round of a scheduled four.

David Mickelo, 154, outpointed Chirs Broad, 150, four.
(11-22-82)

▲ **BRISBANE—Festival Hall**—Three 10-rounders headlined a good bill that drew about 4,000 fans.

Brian Janssen, 144¾, knocked out Mark Apai, 150, Papua New Guinea in round six of a good contest. Alan Moore, referee.

Dave Sarago, 142, decked Fijian Jae Fotu, 144½, twice in the fifth round, and the towel was thrown in. Denzil Creed, referee.

Former Australian featherweight champion Gary Williams, 133½, had far too much on the ball for NSW State lightweight champ Kirk Blair, 136½. Referee Moore stopped it and crowned Williams in round seven.

Doug Sam, 155, knocked out Rodney Roberts, 154, in the third round of a scheduled eight. This was Sam's second pro bout.

Moa Sam, 194, halted Tuna Wilson, 189, in the fourth frame of a scheduled six.

Assan Clay, 133, and Peter Blundell, 131, drew, four.
(12-13-82)

VICTORIA

▲ **RICHMOND—Town Hall**—Australian welterweight champion Frank Ropis, 147, had little trouble retaining his title against Kelly Thompson, also 147, winning in the third when ref Ken Brady rescued the challenger. Thompson was decked once in the second and twice in round three.

Six-rounders: Tony Russell, 126, stopped Kevin McMahon, also 126, in the first round. Dave Ramsden, 146, outscored Ray Anderson, 150. Lee Henderson, 154, won a technical decision over Rocky Vilella, also 154, five.
(11-18-82)

▲ **CHILTERN**—Chris (Rocky) Ward outpointed Lindsay Good, 10.

Brian Nolan knocked out Tommy Johns in a scheduled six.

Brendan Brooks outscored Mick Judd, three.
(11-26-82)

▲ **PRESTON—Town Hall**—Great lightweight prospect Graeme Brooke, 135, won a lopsided unanimous decision over Rocky Pirrottina, also 135, 10. Scoring: referee Ken Brady, 100-90; judge Malcolm Bulner, 100-88; judge Cliff Heaver, 100-91. Brooke should challenge Barry Michael for the Australian crown in 1983.

Tony Russell, 127, outscored Johnny O'Connor, 128, six.

Dave Ramsden, 146, stopped John (Sugar) Ramos, 145½, in the second round of a scheduled four.

Ray Anderson, 156, outpointed Ali Ali, 159, three.
(11-28-82)

▲ **NOTES**—Boxing flourished—figurewise—in 1982, with New South Wales, as always, being the busiest State. A total of 501 Australian and Australian-based boxers were active in 1982, with 318 of them being residents of NSW. There were also 24 boxers imported from overseas for fights.

There were 175 promotions of professional boxing in Australia in 1982. Of these, 123 took place in NSW.

These figures are the highest since 1974.

Busiest boxer was Sparrow Freeman, a very popular feather and junior lightweight who had 28 fights in 1982. This brought his pro tally to 131 in a period of 46 months—two months less than four years.

Flyweight Bobby Williams had 22 fights in 1982, as did junior welter Tommy Woods.

Three Commonwealth and 10 Australian title fights took place in Australia in 1982. Australian lightweight champion Barry Michael lost his Commonwealth lightweight crown on points to Claude JNoel of Trinidad; Paul Ferrerri twice defended his Commonwealth bantam title, halting British champion John Feeney in round 13, anmd Zambian champ Francis Musankabala in round 12.

Ferreri, for my money, was the Fighter of the Year.

So now we are in 1983, and we look forward to great action. We particularly will be looking at three great prospects in welterweight JBrian Janssen of Queensland, junior welter Pat Leglise of NSW, and lightweight Graeme Brooke of Victoria.

Happy 1983 to all good fight fans.

RAY MITCHELL

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STANLEY KETCHEL: THE FIRST MIDDLEWEIGHT GREAT

THEY CALLED ROCKY GRAZIANO the "second Ketchel." Sometimes this baffled Mr. Graziano, who is weak on the subject of history but strong on the subject of Graziano. ¶ "Why don't they call this Ketchel 'the second Graziano' and get the billing right?" demanded Rocky, the third or fourth time he heard the line. "Who is this Ketchel? I can lick him the best day he ever saw."

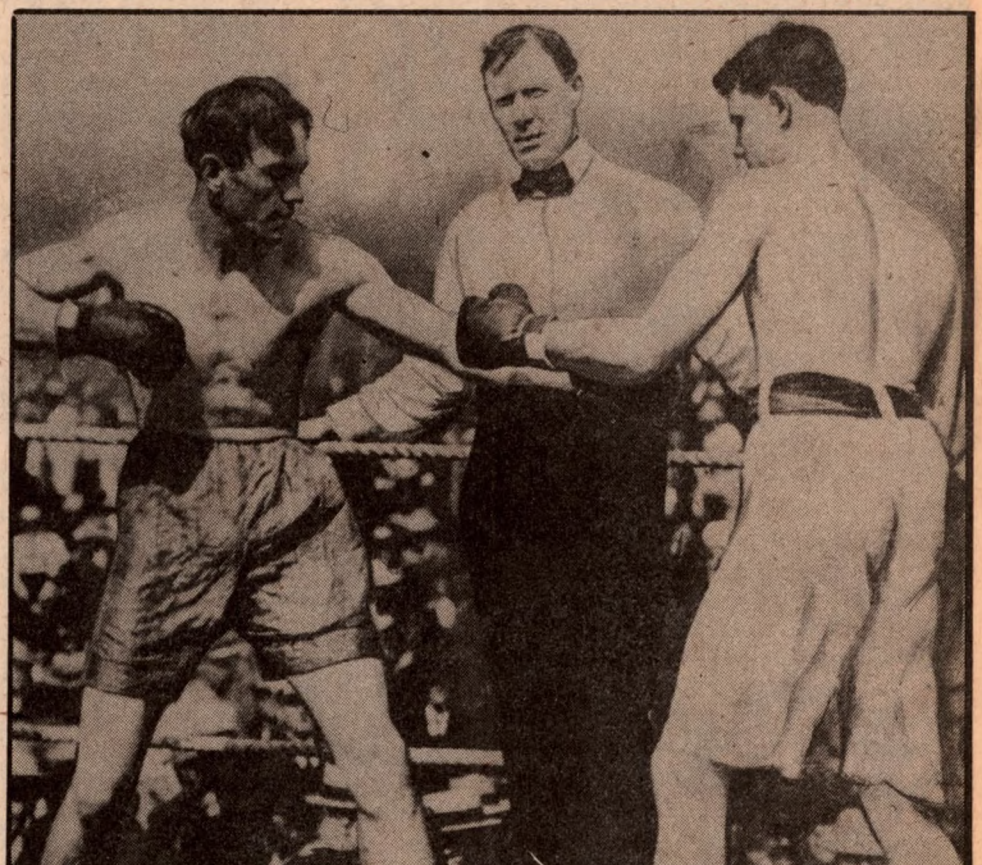
BY JOHN LARDNER

AT THE TIME OF THIS RIGHTEOUS PROtest, Mr. Graziano had just bought a new car with a low and dashing chassis, approximately two blocks long, as the crow flies, with the name (you guessed it) "Rocky Graziano" stamped in large, bright letters on the port and starboard sides. Did Ketchel have a car like that, the Rock wanted to know? The answer is that Ketchel didn't, but he probably would have if he'd thought of it, for the great Stanley Ketchel was not a bit more bashful in his day than Rocky.

The chief difficulty about calling Ketchel "the second Graziano," instead of vice versa, is a little matter of chronology. Any way you look at it, Ketchel came first. He was born in 1886. He died in 1910, in a slightly sudden manner, when his breakfast was interrupted one morning by a .38 slug from the gun of a farm hand who did not care for Ketchel's attitude toward the farm hand's lady friend. All his life, Mr. Ketchel had a dim sense of property rights in regard to women.

His life lasted just 24 years. Few men have achieved so much in so short a time. His name was a byword, and his fighting style a national legend, by the time he died.

There were some points in common



(Left) Ketchel and Jim Jeffries, July 9, 1907. (Above) Stanley and Joe Thomas square off prior to the start of their scheduled 45-rounder in Colma's Mission Street Arena on September 2, 1907. Ketchel kayoed Thomas in the 32nd frame to climax one of the great fights in boxing history. The referee is Billy Roche.

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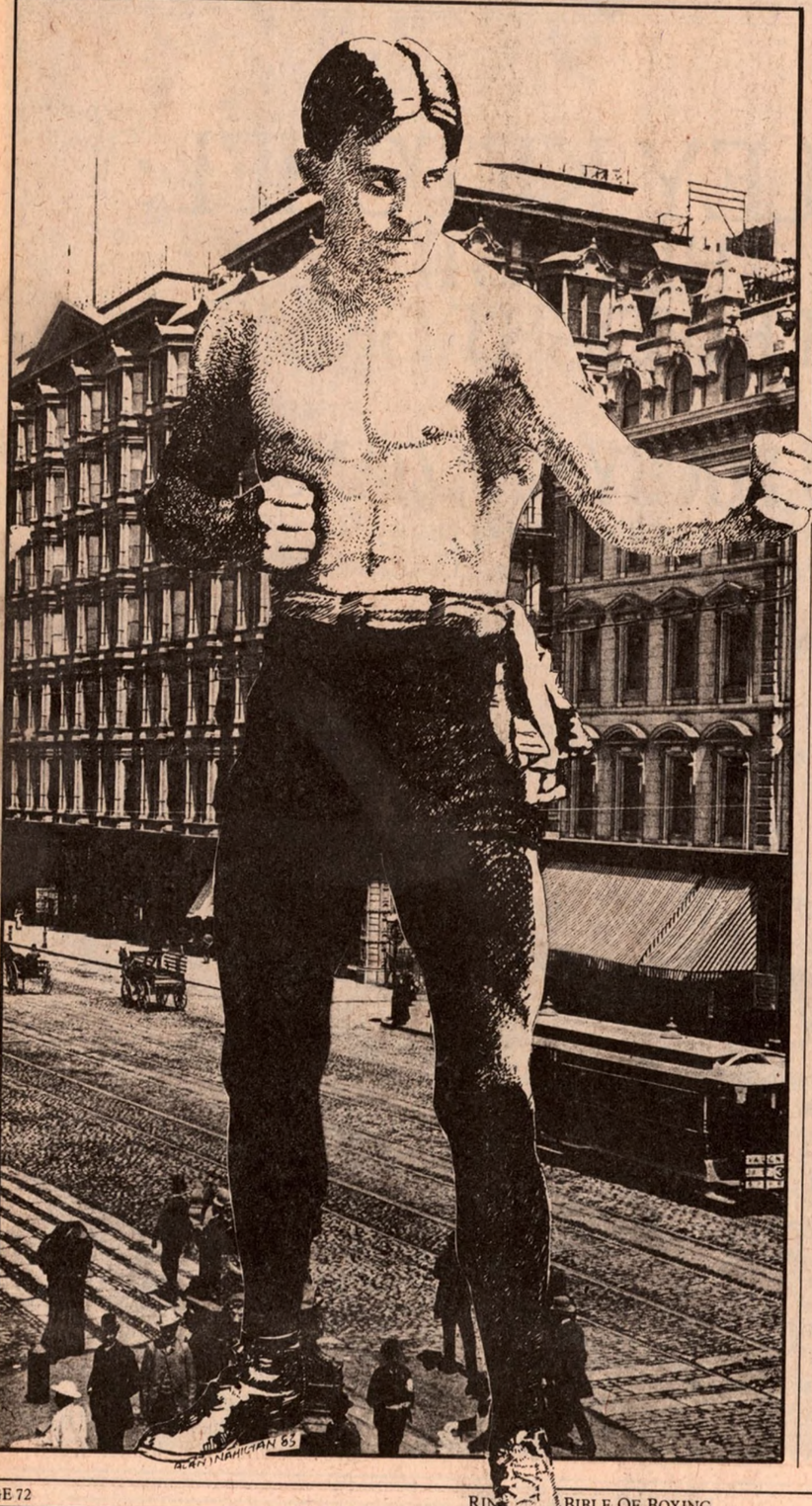
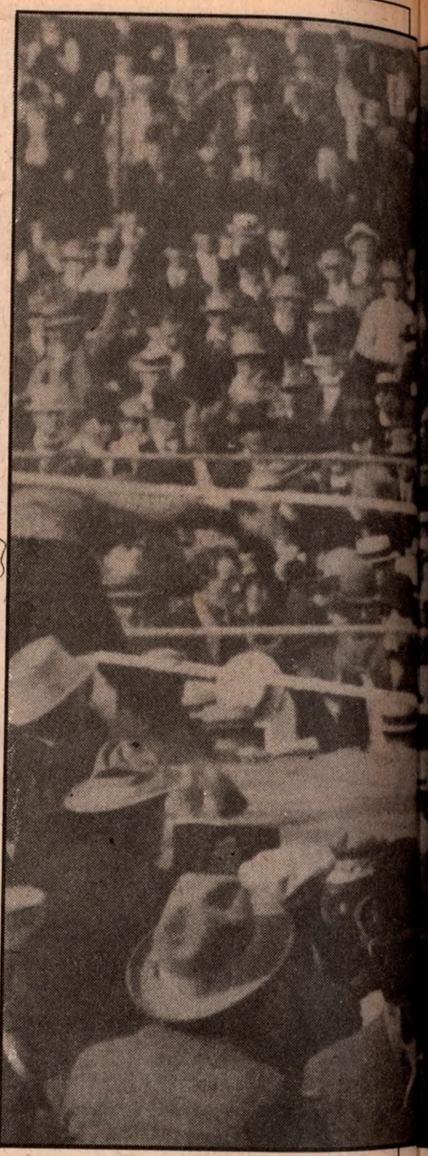
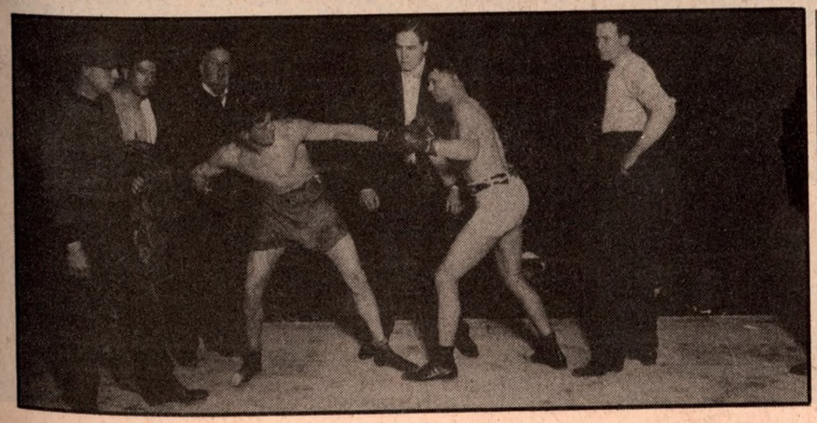
(Right) Thomas down and out in the fatal 32nd. (Right, below) Stan and Joe pose for the camera before their third bout, won by Ketchel by decision after 20 rounds in Frisco on December 12, 1907. Sam Berger is the ref in the tuxedo.





between Mr. Ketchel and Mr. Graziano, at that. Both might be called easy dressers. Rocky wore a necktie in public for the first time at the 1948 New York Boxing Writers' banquet. Up till then, his idea of formality was to button the top button of his shirt, and to tie his shoe when a lady got into the elevator.

Mr. Ketchel had the same general notions. He once rode up Fifth Avenue in an open carriage wearing a pink dressing-gown and tossing peanuts to the multitude. Also, both boys were great punchers. Both had a certain electric quality inside the ring. Both were often in trouble outside of it. Both loved no-



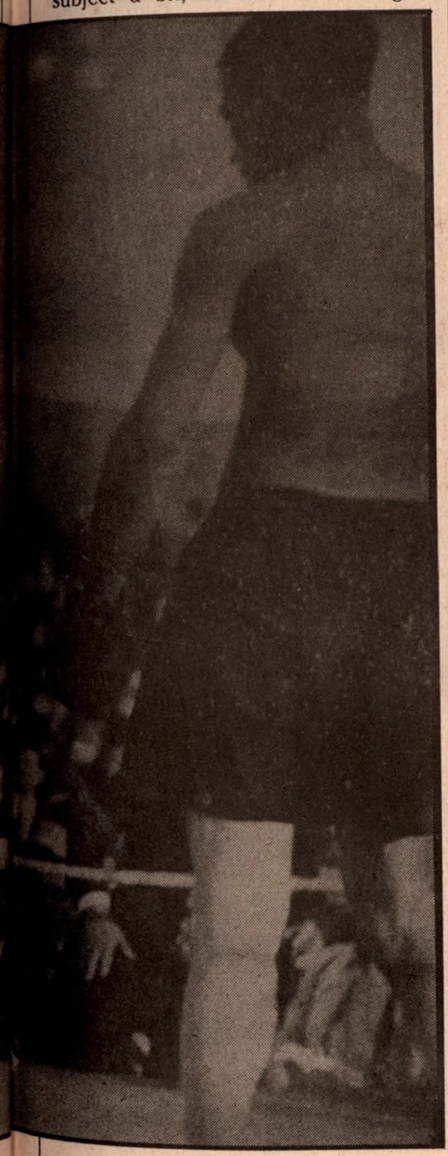
thing better, inside the ring and out, than to knock your head off.

There the likeness stops, for Ketchel was a great fighter and a greater name. A true middleweight, at 160 pounds or less, he fought the two best heavyweights of his time, Jack Johnson and Sam Langford. He was managed by two of the most eccentric geniuses who ever wandered into the fight racket: Wilson Mizner, who taught Ketch the theory of evolution with the help of a bowl of goldfish, and Willus Britt, who once sued the city of San Francisco for letting an earthquake happen. Furthermore, Ketchel was immortalized by

two very eminent men of letters, Ernest Hemingway and Damon Runyon.

If you read Hemingway's "The Light of the World," you will learn how Mr. Ketchel was regarded in what might be called the ladies-of-the-evening set in the West. In those circles, knowing Mr. Ketchel was the equivalent of winning your varsity letter.

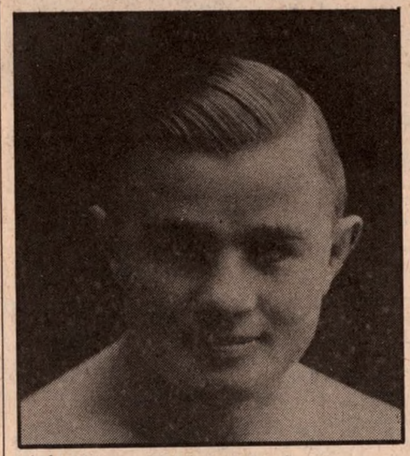
The last note I had from Damon Runyon before he died was about Ketchel. Damon had produced a movie called "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling," in which Ketch was a minor character. The part was played by Maxie Rosenbloom. I wrote a piece saying that this



sort of casting was a sacrilege against the great man's memory. Anyone who has seen Maxie in pictures lately knows that he displaces the weight of two Ketchels, or one and a half early Rosenblooms. In the second, third, and fourth places—. Mr. Runyon agreed with me.

"Rosenplop hurt my feelings every time he came on the screen in that part," he said. "He wasn't Ketchel. But who was?"

That's what Rocky Graziano wants to know—who was this Ketchel character they are always linking his own fair name with? Suppose we look into the subject a bit, before the Rock gets



violent.

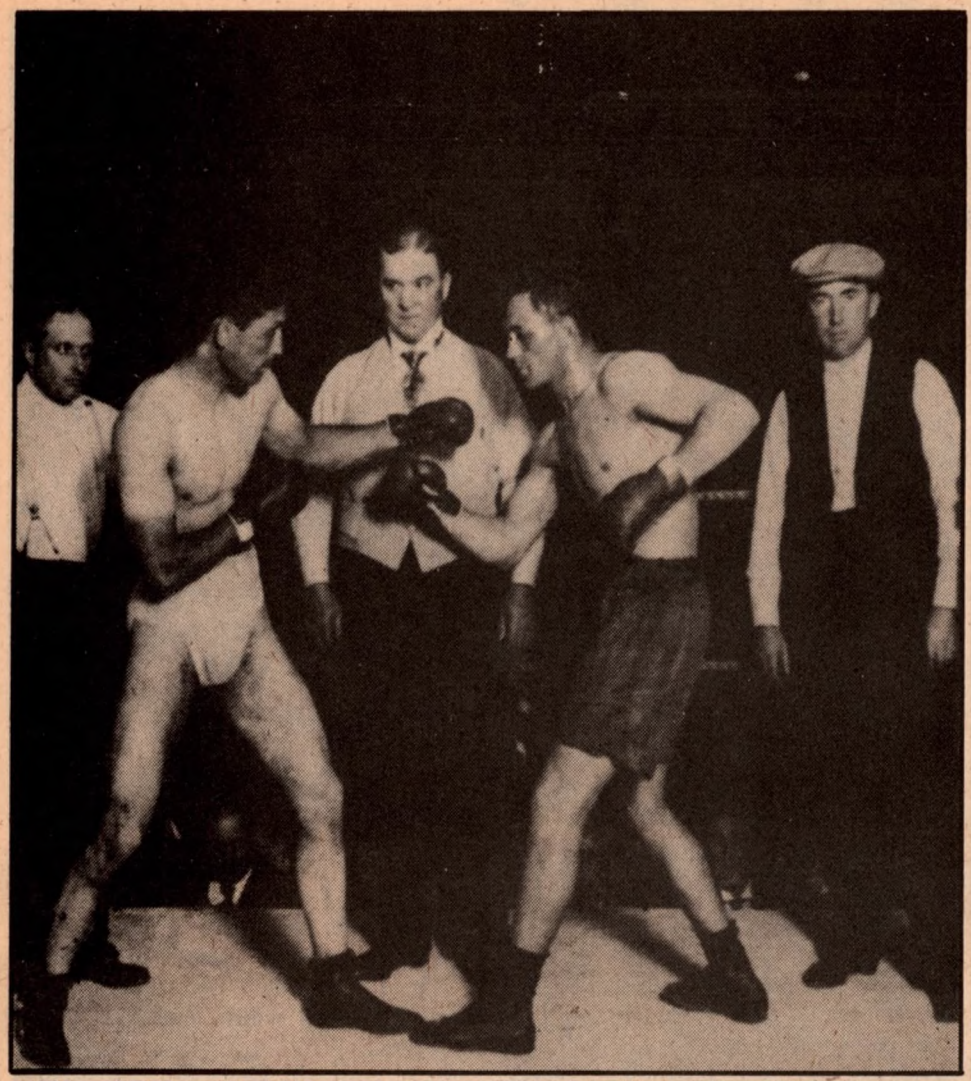
Stanley Ketchel was born Stanislaus Kiecal. His father was a native of Russia; his mother, of Polish parentage, was 14 when Stanley arrived on the scene. Mr. Ketchel was pretty young himself when he went to work polishing furniture in a Grand Rapids, Michigan, factory at four dollars a week. He had even less schooling than Mr. Graziano. Willus Britt, when he first introduced Ketchel to New York some years later, thought of advertising him as a college boy. He had what the folks in the fight trade call "a clean-cut look."

"Then I listened to his language a few minutes," said Willus, "and decided to bill him as a cowboy instead. A cowboy might know those words. No college boy would."

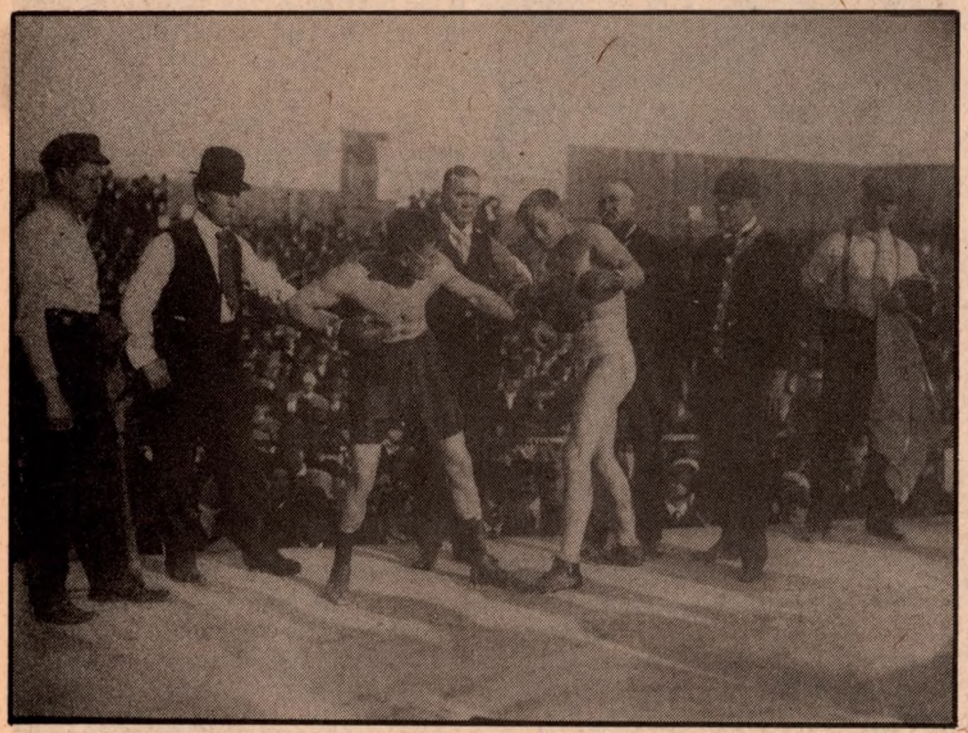
Ketchel was 15 when he began to make his way across the country to Butte, Montana, mining quartz, working as a field hand, and checking livestock. In Butte he got a job bell-hopping in a hotel. When tips were low, he fought in saloons and theaters for extra change, with knuckles or gloves. When money fights were scarce, he fought for nothing.

"He had the soul of a bouncer—but a bouncer that loved his work," said Dumb Dan Morgan, the one-time sage of Jacobs Beach. Dumb Daniel, who managed the world welterweight champion, Jack Britton, knew Ketchel well. He could fight all of Ketchel's fights over again with gestures, round by round, using his listener for a target. It is a very interesting experience if you

(Left) Billy Papke is down for the count in the 11th round of his third bout with Ketchel. Stanley thus became the first man to regain the middleweight crown. (Top) Referee Jack Welch and Willus Britt, Stan's manager (in the derby) are among those in the ring as Ketchel and Papke oblige the still cameramen with a traditional pre-fight pose. The photo has been retouched badly. (Above) The rough, tough, one-and-only Billy Papke.



(Above) Referee Jack Welch seems to be eyeing challenger Hugo Kelly in this pre-fight pose. (Below) Papke's tights haven't been retouched by any "artist" in the shot below—another pre-fight of the November 26, 1908 contest. (Opposite page) Papke knocks Ketchel heels over head and referee Jim Jeffries looks astonished.



don't mind having your ribs broken one by one.

The Tiger's first fight of record—Ketchel used to say he had 250 fights that never showed in the Record book—was with Jack (Kid) Tracey, a citizen who played the beer halls and theaters with a manager for a gimmick. In moments of difficulty, Tracey would work his opponent over to a curtain at the rear of the stage, behind which his manager lurked with a sandbag. The story is that the ferocious Ketchel ruined the script by backing Tracey against the curtain, where the manager sandbagged his own boy. The book calls it a KO by Ketchel in one round.

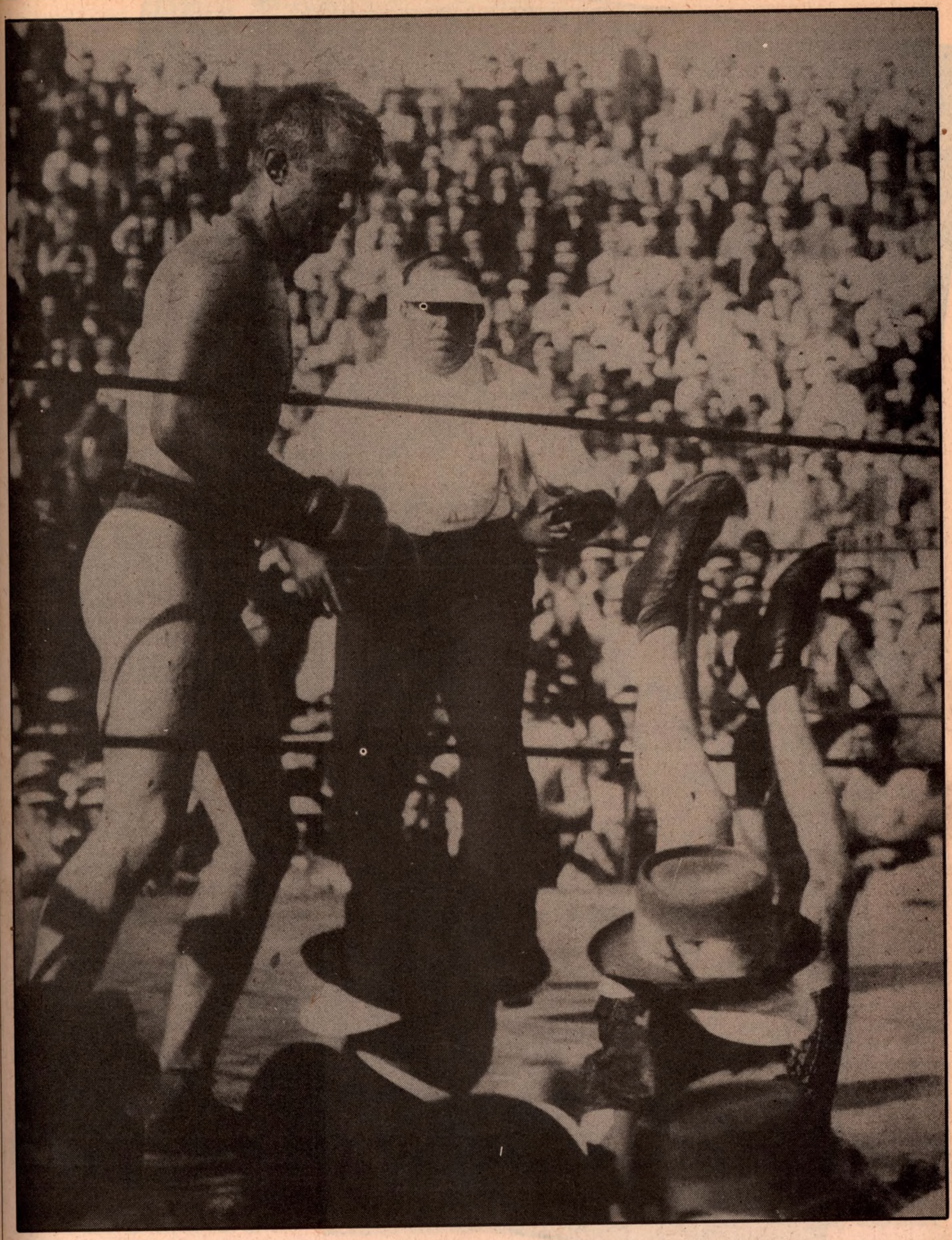
The operator of the Casino Theatre in Butte used to pay Ketch $20 a week to meet all comers. And it was there he must have picked up many of the 250 fights that do not appear in THE RING RECORD BOOK.

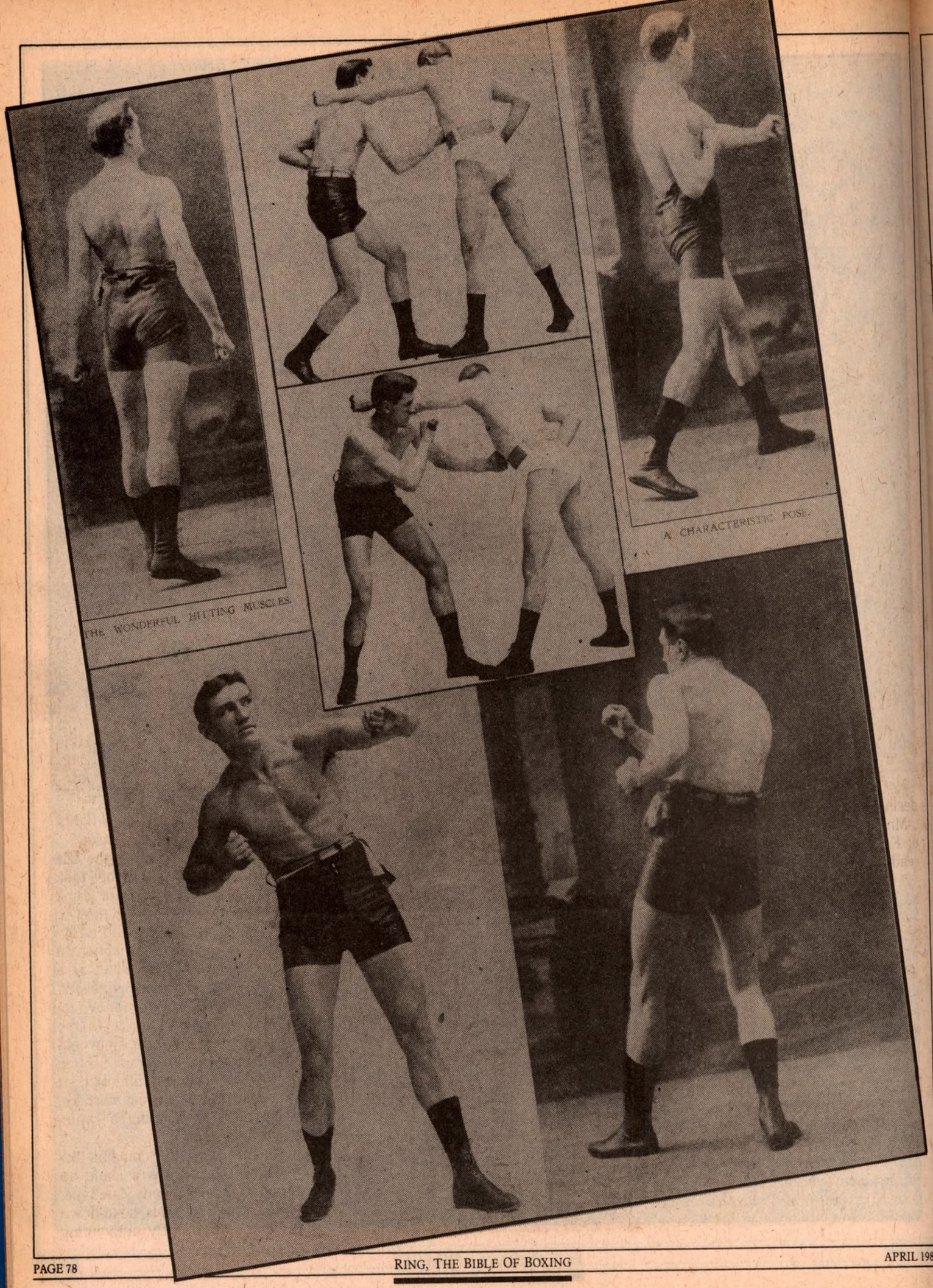
"I hit 'em so hard," said Ketchel once—he was never a modest type—"that they used to fall over the footlights and land in the people's lap."

The green pasture of the West for fighters was California. Ketchel turned up there at the age of 21, and won the coast's attention by knocking out Joe Thomas, a local pride, in San Francisco, in 32 rounds. Thomas was tough, but Ketchel had unique punching stamina. He swung his right and left at top speed for 32 rounds until he hit Thomas clean and the latter crumpled. He then licked both the "Twin" Sullivans, Jack and Mike, which made him big stuff in California. It also, enriched his life by attracting the attention of Mr. Willus Britt, who smoked the biggest cigars and wore the niftiest clothes in San Francisco.

Mr. Britt's principal meal ticket theretofore had been his brother, James Edward Britt, a very good lightweight, with whom he split 50-50 because he could whip James in private. When James came to the end of his rope one day, and Packy McFarland knocked him down, Willus shrieked from the corner: "Get up, you unnatural—!Have you no regard for my feelings?" But Jimmy prudently stayed down."

It was the worst setback for Willus since 1906, when the city of San Francisco refused to pay him for damage done to some of his real estate by the great earthquake. The city said the quake was an act of God. Willus pointed out that churches had been destroyed. The city conceded the point, but still

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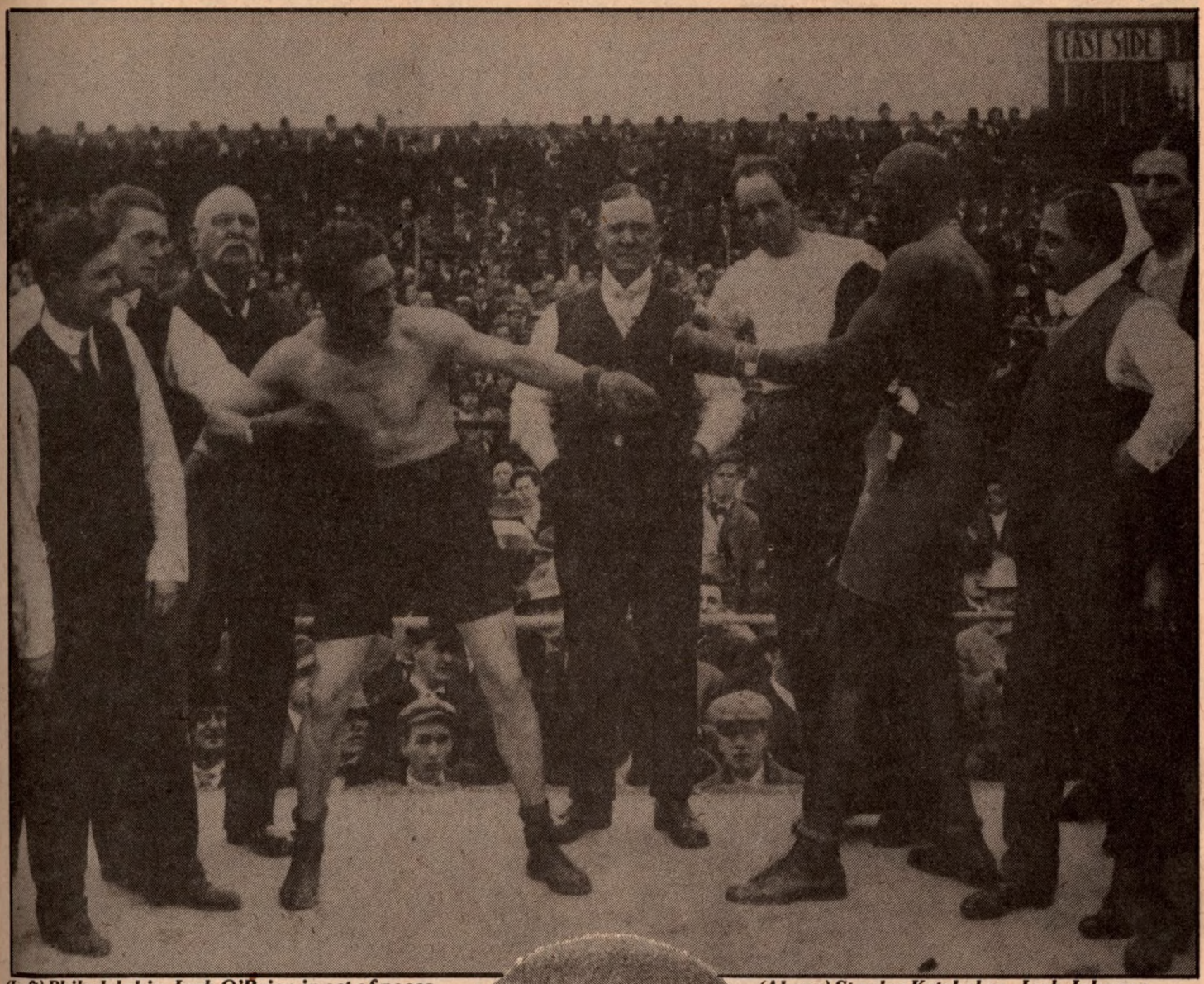

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Mr. Britt worked fast when he heard of Ketchel. Ketch had a manager already—a careful citizen. When he went out for a conference, the manager locked Ketchel in a room in a boarding-house and took away all his clothes but his underwear. This did not daunt Willus Britt. He ascended a rainpipe and entered Ketchel's room through a window. Ten minutes' conversation convinced the fighter that his destiny would best be served under the management of Mr. Britt.

"But I got no pants," he pointed out.

"Think nothing of it," said Willus. "Let's go to Jim Coffroth's saloon. He's got spare pants."

The new team went down the rainpipe and repaired to Sunny Jim Coffroth's place, where they sealed their bargain. It was under Coffroth's promotion, in Colma, California, that Ketchel fought some of his most famous fights, including the one with Jack Johnson.

There is little or no truth in the tale people used to tell, that Ketchel took hop. He did not even smoke or drink much—his greatest weakness, next to ladies, being candy. But he had an intense, hopped-up look and manner. In times of strain, he turned white as a sheet, and when he turned white persons who knew him began to move toward the doors and windows. In the ring, he fought like a demon. He would never stop punching. Billy Papke, a big, strong, middleweight from Illinois, beat him in 1908. It was a great mistake, something akin to insulting a rattlesnake's mother.

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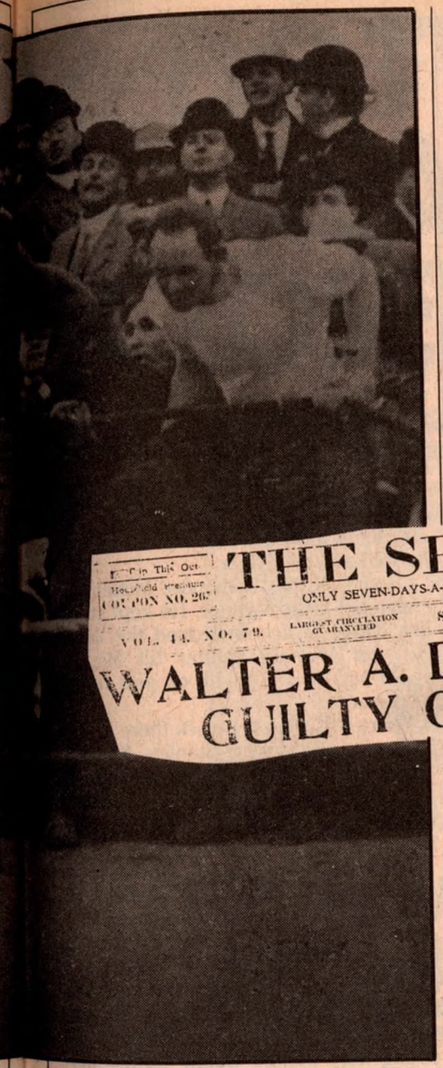

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WAITING ON JACOBS BEACH

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THE WORD ON JACOBS BEACH WAS: "He may lick it yet. He's awful low but his blood pressure is down and they say he's coming around a little. They say he might lick it."

They stalled around, killing the slow time, talking. Saying how things like this always seem to happen in bunches, how it was Jimmy Johnston first and then Jimmy Walker and now Mike. And it was strange to think of that trio bracketed as an entry, for you couldn't find three other men quite so unlike personally; you couldn't go out and pick three men at random who wouldn't have a single small trait in common.

Still and all, you had to bracket them together because of the one big thing they shared, which was their stature in boxing. But then, of course, Jimmy Johnston and Jimmy Walker were gone but Mike might lick it yet. . . .

You don't ordinarily write obituaries about live men, but on the other hand there's no law that monuments may be erected only to the dead. And in his lifetime there've been no monuments reared to Mike. Decidedly on the contrary.

So there can't be anything particularly wrong about saying this of Mike Jacobs while the chance remains that he may get to read it: That although it is certainly true, that nobody else ever exerted such absolute dictatorship as his over any sport and while it is probably true that no one else ever made such profits as he from boxing, it is emphatically true that no other man ever ran boxing as well as he, anywhere.

There must be a hundred things Mike has done in a business way which don't meet with everyone's approval and aren't necessarily good for the sport as a whole. But this is so and this is good: If anyone in the world has run fights on the level, Mike has. Undoubtedly there are guys who have slipped something across on Mike. But if he found out, they didn't do it again.

Insofar as one man is able, he has run fights on the square. Maybe this isn't because of any personal set of ethics or because of any highminded love for clean sport. It could simply be that Mike is smart enough to know he can do better with square fights. During the war, when that abortive Louis-Conn promotion flopped, the customers didn't come clamoring for their money back. A solid year later they were still sending tickets in for refunds, knowing the money would be there and they'd get it.

So much for that. As for the man, well, the yarns they tell about him give the best picture. A classic tale is the one about the time he had a big outdoor fight coming up and decided to buy a recording machine so he could record a voice shouting, "This way to the bleachers, this way to the bleachers." That way he wouldn't have to hire guys with megaphones.

A sample machine was brought into the office and Mike said to one of the staff, "Say something into it," and went out to answer a call. The man recited a Shakespeare sonnet. Mike came back and sat down and played the record back:

When in disgrace with fortune and men's eyes,
I all alone beweep my outcast state,
And trouble deaf Heaven with my bootless cries,
And look upon myself and curse my fate
. . .

"Ahh, for cat's sake," Mike said, "I heard that forty years ago."

The baseball schedule left no room for a postponement of the Buddy Baer—Joe Louis fight in Griffith Stadium, and on the afternoon of the match Washington was swept by a roaring cloudburst. Phones jangled incessantly in Mike's hotel suite and callers hammered on the door, flooding in to inquire whether the bout would go on. Mike sent out for sandwiches and sat there with his staff, spinning yarns in the midst of bedlam.

He talked about the old days when he started as concessionnaire on excursion boats and wound up owning the ships that plied the Hudson and ran from the Battery to Atlantic Highlands and other resorts. He told of the remedy he invented for seasickness, a vial of extremely weak tea that sold for twenty-five cents. He recalled how he peddled salted peanuts by the peck, and of course, there was no drinking water aboard, but Mike's soda pop sold right smart. Hard straw hats were the thing then, and Mike also sold his passengers a string to be run from hatband to lapel and thus tether the skimmer against the breeze.

Those were the yarns he told while the phones clamored and hailstones rattled against the windows, threatening to wash maybe $150,000 down the drains. And afterward, when he was asked how he could take it that way, he said, "Me boy, I been battling the elements all me life."

He never kicks about a licking. His Lou Nova—Tony Galento fight in Philadelphia was a financial bust and when he left the stadium afterward and couldn't find a cab, he sent Mushky Jackson to hunt one up while he sat on the curb and spun more yarns. Not a word of the fight, of the gate, of the bills to be paid. Not a word then or later.

When everyone was blasting him after the Louis—Conn match last spring, a man said, "Mike, why do you sit and take it? Why not point out that if Conn had thrown a half-dozen punches nobody would be yelling for anyone's scalp?"

Mike said, "Young feller, you're too dam' smart."

A few weeks ago he had guests in his home to watch the Notre Dame—Army football game on television. During a lull a guest got up and wandered around Mike's study glancing at the titles on the bookshelves.

"There's something I need," Mike said. "Gotta get me a carload of books."

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	1907		
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May	3—Benny Hart, Marysville, Calif.	KO	8
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July	4—Joe Thomas, Marysville	D	20
Sept.	2—Joe Thomas, Colma, Calif.	KO	32
Dec.	12—Joe Thomas, San Francisco	W	20
	1908		
Feb.	22—Mike (Twin) Sullivan, Colma	KO	1
May	9—Jack (Twin) Sullivan, Colma (Won Vacant World Middleweight Title)	KO	20
June	4—Billy Papke, Milwaukee (Retained World Middleweight Title)	W	10
July	31—Hugo Kelly, San Francisco (Retained World Middleweight Title)	KO	3
Aug.	18—Joe Thomas, San Francisco (Retained World Middleweight Title)	KO	2
Sept.	7—Billy Papke, Vernon, Calif. (Lost World Middleweight Title)	KO by	12
Nov.	26—Billy Papke, Colma (Regained World Middleweight Title)	KO	11
	1909		
Jan.	15—Tony Caponi, Grand Rapids	Exh.	3
Mar.	26—Phila. Jack O'Brien, New York (Retained World Middleweight Title)	ND	10
May	18—Kid Hubert, Pittsburgh	ND	6
June	2—Tony Caponi, Schenectady (Retained World Middleweight Title)	KO	4
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Oct.	16—Jack Johnson, Colma (For World Heavyweight Title)	KO by	12
	1910		
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Apr.	27—Sam Langford, Philadelphia	ND	6
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May	27—Willie Lewis, New York (Retained World Middleweight Title)	KO	2
June	10—Jim Smith, New York (Retained World Middleweight Title)	KO	5

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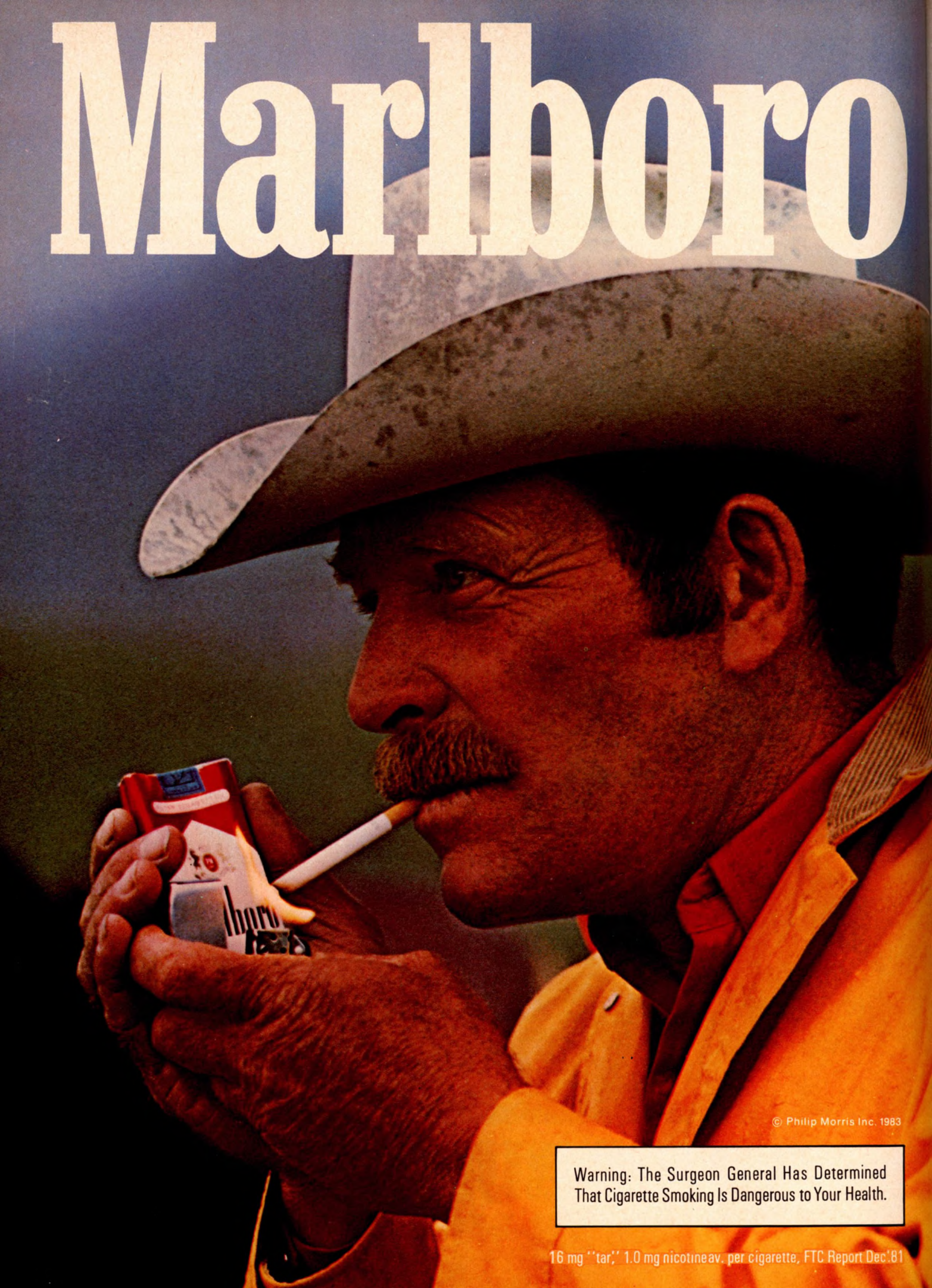
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